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3 Indians killed in boat accident in Mozambique

Three Indian nationals lost their lives , one sustained injuries and five others were rescued after a boat carrying them capsized off the coast of Beira, Mozambique, the Indian High Commission confirmed on Saturday. The vessel was reportedly ferrying crew members of a tanker, including 14 Indian nationals, when it overturned. The exact cause of the accident is still under investigation.

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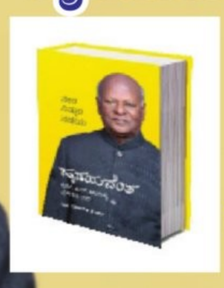

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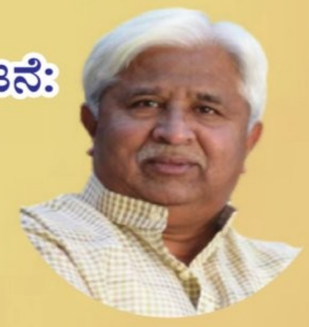

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FORECAST Thunderstorms. Overcast

Sunrise 06.10 am
Sunset 05.58 pm
Moonrise 04.18 am
Moonset 04.35 pm

SHANKAR HANUMANT LANGATI, WHO STARTED COLLECTING AND PRESERVING NATIVE VARIETIES OF PADDY, IS NOW A CUSTODIAN OF OVER 260 VARIETIES OF GRAINS

Professors from Dharwad University and agriculture officials at Langati's paddy field at Gundenatti in Belagavi district

Reviving the lost rice heritage

SUNIL PATIL @Belagavi

A SILENT revolution is on to preserve desi paddy varieties in a little-known village of Gundenatti in Belagavi district.

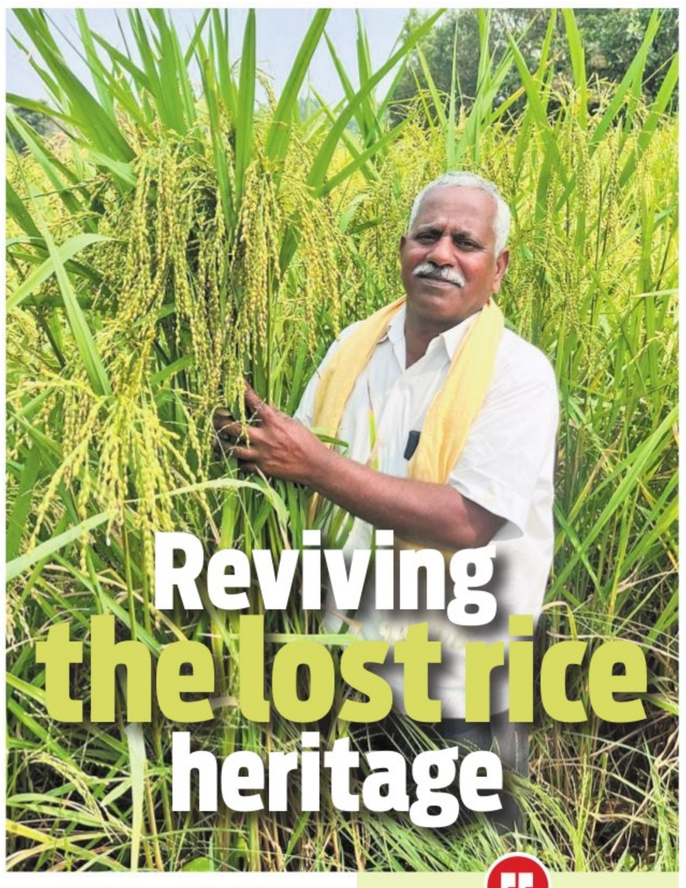
Shankar Hanumant Langati, a small farmer from this sleepy village, is now a proud custodian of over 260 varieties of paddy that were on the brink of extinction.

Shankar, who was forced to discontinue studies after Class 3 because of poverty, never thought that his hobby of collecting traditionally grown paddy varieties and preserving them for posterity would bring him name and fame one day.

He lost his father when he was 14 and was left to fend for himself although he inherited three acres of ancestral land. With no help forthcoming, Shankar started grazing cattle in the village and earned Rs 300 a month. He then started working as a farm labourer harvesting sugarcane, paddy and other crops. In 2003, Shankar attended a seed mela organised by Shree Kshetra Dharmasthala Rural Development Project (SKDRDP) and the GREEN Foundation on the advice of Shaarada Dabhade, an activist promoting women's empowerment in rural areas.

At the mela, he came across 25 native varieties of paddy that were once popular, but had been ignored by farmers who shifted to high-yielding hybrids. He brought those paddy varieties home and sowed them on his land. Using traditional farming methods, he reaped a good harvest.

Encouraged by this, he set out on a mission -- to find, grow, and preserve India's lost paddy varieties under the guidance of Shivaraj Hunagund of Dharwad and Krishna Prasad of 'Save Seeds'. He visited Belagavi and Dharward districts and parts of Goa to collect native seeds. His mission took him to other rice-growing states such as Odisha, Manipur, Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, and Andhra Pradesh. In recognition of Shankar's efforts, the University of Agricultural Sciences, Dharwad, gave him 50 native paddy varieties.



Langati shows paddy stalks, among the 260 varieties that were on the brink of extinction | EXPRESS

The government should come up with a comprehensive policy to financially support farmers to conserve seeds of native varieties of foodgrains and create seed banks locally. It should also help farmers add value to their produce and market them locally and globally

Shankar Hanumant Langati, a progressive farmer from Belagavi

Shankar embraced traditional farming methods, rejecting chemical pesticides and fertilisers. He also cultivates other seasonal crops. His crop calendar is diverse -- paddy during monsoon, and pulses, vegetables, chickpeas and sunhemp post-monsoon.

Marketing strategy

Shankar has a trusted customer base for his produce. On the outskirts of Gundenatti, he has constructed a store-cum-warehouse from where farmers and customers buy his products directly. He also goes to Dharwad's Gandhi Shanti Pratishthan every Thursday to sell rice, pulses and vegetables.

A few years ago, Shankar bought nine more acres of land adjacent to his farm, where he has taken up dairy and fish farming besides cultivating paddy and other crops.

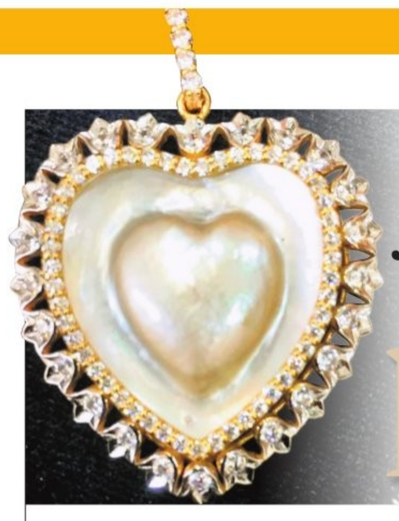
Apart from over 260 varieties of rice, his seed bank has coloured chickpeas (green, red, black and white) and red wheat and traditional millets that were on the verge of extinction.

Awards & recognition

Shankar has visited many countries to study sustainable agriculture and market conditions there. He mentors progressive farmers and farm university students. Scientists too visit his farm to study his cultivation methods. His efforts have earned him awards and recognition from well-known institutions.

He has been honoured with the Plant Genome Saviour Award (Government of India, Rs 10 lakh); district and state-level Best Farmer Award; recognition from Art of Living, Dharmasthala Foundation and Karnataka Biodiversity Board; Rice Innovation Farmer Award from ICAR, Hyderabad; and honorary doctorate from Dharwad university. His indigenous paddy varieties have been registered with ICAR. Recently, Shankar released a red rice variety, 'Surendrasali', which is considered ideal for diabetics.

With the help of his two sons, Shankar is now expanding his agri-business and has taken 50 acres on contract in Khanapur taluk. Narrating their early days of struggle, Shankar's wife Mahadevi said, "We worked as labourers and grazed cattle. My husband has set up a successful agri-business from the scratch. Now, we are reaping the fruits of our labour."



Gadag's jobless youth hit upon pearl of an idea

RAGHOTTAM KOPPAR
@Hatalageri (Gadag)

Forced to return to their village from B'luru during Covid, Prince, Krishna and Veeresh are producing designer pearls, and earning in lakhs

THREE youth from Hatalageri in Gadag district have turned an abandoned stone quarry in their village into an exotic pearl farm. Prince Veer, Krishna Jalammanavar and Veeresh Hiremath, MBA graduates, who were working in Bengaluru, had to return home when Covid swept the country in 2020. But they never imagined this was a blessing in disguise for them.

The jobless trio, who thought of starting a small business, bounce off different ideas among themselves, sitting at an abandoned quarry. At the very same quarry that was filled with water, they hit upon the idea of pearl farming.

Despite opposition from their families and friends, they ventured into the business. In 2021, they invested Rs 6 lakh and earned Rs 15 lakh. Last year, they invested Rs 40 lakh and earned Rs 70 lakh. Seeing their success, 23 more youth from Gadag and surrounding places joined them. Stone quarrying was stopped 18 years ago when the quarry got filled with rainwater. The 55-foot deep quarry has been brimming with water since then. Rich minerals in the quarry water help oyster mussels grow fast.

Veer, who was an actor and anchor, went to Bengaluru after his graduation and got small roles in 15 Kannada films. He also tried his luck in television. But the pandemic dashed all his hopes and dreams of pursuing a career in acting. When back-to-back lockdowns were announced, he returned home. His friends Krishna and Veeresh were already back in the village by then.

"Pearl farming is new to South India. It is popular in West Bengal for natural reasons. After learning that the abandoned quarry in our village is ideal for pearl farming, we launched our venture. We rented the quarry land for Rs 1 lakh per year from its owner," Veer said.

The trio contacted a pearl farming company in West Bengal, which promised them to supply mussels and buy pearls later. In 2021, they invested Rs 6 lakh (each Rs 2 lakh) and brought 18,000 mussels. Experts from the company came to Hatalageri and taught them the nuances of pearl farming, including implanting techniques. After two years of struggle, they earned Rs 15 lakh.

With their venture becoming popular, some locals invested Rs 40 lakh. The trio earned Rs 70 lakh from the second harvest. Twenty-three more investors joined them a few months ago. This year, they released 1.30 lakh oyster mussels worth Rs 75 lakh into their "quarry lake" and are expecting Rs 1.50 crore.

Krishna Jalammanavar said, "We spend Rs 60 on a mussel and the company buys it back for Rs 230. However, we can't always count on profits. There is a risk of making losses if diseases affect the mussels."

From top: The trio converted an abandoned stone quarry at their village Hatalageri in Gadag into a pearl farm. With their harvest

Implantation

Implantation is a key procedure in pearl farming where a nucleus (like a bead) and a piece of mantle tissue are inserted into the mussel. There are three methods -- mantle cavity implantation, mantle tissue implantation and gonadal implantation. The goal is to induce the mussel to secrete nacre around the foreign object, which later develops into a pearl. Pearls take the desired shapes this way. The harvested pearls in these shapes are given to craftsmen to refine them. The pH, TDS and ammonia levels in water should be checked every fortnight. If there is any fluctuation, cow dung, mustard seeds, groundnuts, turmeric, lime, salt, calcium and vitamins should be added to water for the healthy growth of mussels.

Humble homes to global stage: Govt school kids head to Robotics Olympics

The five students of the government high school in Malleswaram will showcase their robot in Panama on October 29 | KEVIN NASHON

RASHMI PATIL @Bengaluru

IN what can be termed as a spirit of innovation and aspiration, a team of five students from the Government Boys High School in Malleswaram, Bengaluru will represent India at the 'FIRST Global Challenge (FGC) Robotics Olympics' to be held in Panama on October 29. Coming from homes where parents work as housekeeping staff, garment workers, and civil contractors, access to high-end technology or private coaching was never an option for them. But what they lacked in resources, they made up for it through curiosity and unrelenting drive to learn.

Gouresh K, GN Chandan Raj, Ningaraj, Parashuram M and Arjun K Raj were handpicked to be trained and groomed to participate in the FGC Robotics Olympics. Gouresh, a Class 10 student, said, "We have Atal Tinkering Lab (ATL) at our school and it was a big advantage. We would spend hours learning robotics, coding, AI and others at the lab. We also got support from Amazon Future Engineer Makerspace Lab, run by the Innovation Story. It is a physical, free-of-cost facility in Bengaluru to help students receive hands-on training in robotics, AI and others. It added fuel to our dreams to create something new that could solve real world problems."

The theme of FIRST Global Challenge is 'Eco Equilibrium', focusing on maximising biodiversity, protecting species, restoring habitats and maintaining ecological balance.

Akhil Menon, mentor for the project, said, "Each member of the team brings a distinct strength, including mechanical design, coding, electronics and strategic thinking. Ningaraj and Arjun led mechanical design and CAD modeling, Gouresh handled Arduino programming and app integration, Chandan brought the circuits to life with electronics work and Parashuram, with an eye for control and intuition, became the team's official driver and UI tester."

Explaining their robot, Gouresh said, "Components required to build this high-quality robot were all provided by the FGC. We can't add our own components in this robot, they will be tested and examined once we reach Panama. It took us six months to build this robot and work on its systematic functioning. It showcases remarkable versatility — it can collect both large and small game balls, launch them to heights of up to 3 metre and climb a rope to a height of 2 metre with precision. It is built in a way embedding FGC's principle, cooperation and competition. Therefore, it assists other robots to climb. This Olympics is such that we must work with other teams and help their robots overcome barriers with the help of our robot."

Minions crowd out citizens during DCM's 'walkie-talkie'

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WITH hundreds of supporters of Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar and MLA Byrathi Basavaraj crowding out citizens during the 'Walk With Bengaluru' programme on Saturday, the DCM promised to hold another meeting at Bengaluru East City Corporation but only for the IT cohorts.

The assurance to have an exclusive interaction with the IT community came after the government faced backlash from the IT sector in recent days.

Speaking after the event, the DCM said, "Bengaluru East City Corporation (BECC) is the richest corporation in the state in terms of revenue generation. Earlier, their taxes were spent across Bengaluru; now all the money will be used to develop infrastructure projects for KR Puram and Mahadevpura constituencies."

He said he will hold separate meetings with IT-BT companies. "Our work is the answer to those who criticise us. We are focused on our work and are not bothered about unwarranted criticism," he said.

"We are collecting taxes worth Rs 6,000 crore from the city, of which Bengaluru East has a share of Rs 1,600 crore. The taxes that the respective corporation collects must now be used in the same zone. Bengaluru East Corporation is a very resourceful corporation, and the proceeds will be used to fix the civic issues here. Earlier, the amount collected here was used in other parts of the city too. We have taken many steps to expedite work. The Council of the Corporation can spend up to Rs 10 crore without tenders, and the Commissioner can spend Rs 3 crore without tenders," he said.

"There are a lot of encroachment cases in KR Puram area, and many illegal buildings have been constructed. As per the Supreme Court order, they will be demolished. We have exempted sites up to 30x40 from OC and CC, but we will not allow construction without setbacks," he added.

As some residents pointed out that the K R Puram Santhe (fair) is causing traffic jams, the DCM said he will look into the possibilities of shifting the fair elsewhere.

"KR Puram has a national highway, flyovers and Metro. We will link the tunnel road to all these infrastructure in this area. We may not be able to solve 100% of your grievances, but we are making an sincere attempt," he said.

Asked if Biocon founder Kiran Mazumdar-Shaw had a discussion with him about developing about roads in Bengaluru, he said, "Happy about it, let her choose the roads she wants to develop. She has not discussed anything with us yet. We will offer full cooperation if she wants to take up some work."

DCM DK Shivakumar interacts with citizens during the 'Walk With Bengaluru' programme at Vengaiah Eco Park in KR Puram on Saturday | EXPRESS

DCM EXPOSES FALSE GRIEVANCE

During the event, the DCM exposed the claims of a woman who complained that the Gruhalakshmi amount had not been deposited for six months. When the DCM verified the issue with the Women and Child Welfare department, it was found that the Gruhalakshmi amount was paid to her on October 3. The DCM read aloud the SMS message that was sent to her mobile phone as a confirmation. "The allegation is wrong," he said.

DCM STEPS IN TO EASE CONTRACTORS' CONCERNS

Bengaluru: A day after Karnataka State Contractors Association set a December 1 deadline to government to clear pending dues of worth Rs 33,000 crore or risk stopping all development works, Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar held a meeting with the members of the association on Saturday and directed his secretary to clear dues from Minor Irrigation and Urban Development Department. According to the Association President, R Manjunath, the DCM gave an hour's time and listened to the problems faced by the contractors. "He said he will talk to CM Siddaramaiah. He also directed his personal secretary Rajendra Prasad to clear files for the works pertaining to the irrigation department, Karnataka Rural Infrastructure Development Limited (KRIDL) works and Greater Bengaluru Authority (GBA)," said Manjunath. **ENS**

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SC alarmed over 8.8L pending execution pleas

The Supreme Court directed high courts to take action after observing that 8,82,578 execution petitions remain pending before district courts. It expressed concern over the large number of such petitions pending, despite its earlier direction to HCs to ensure disposal within six months. The SC, in its order on Oct 16, directed all HCs to formulate a procedure and guide their district judiciary to ensure expeditious disposal of these petitions over the next six months | P11

From left: Kabeer Agha, Haroon & Sibghatullah

Cricketers killed, Af exits Pak series

FIROZ MIRZA @ Chennai

AFTER featuring in a domestic tournament in Sharana of Paktika province of Afghanistan, local cricketers were having a get together in their home district, Urgun, when three of them were killed in air strikes reportedly carried out by Pakistan. Condemning the incident and terming it cowardly, Afghanistan Cricket Board (ACB) has withdrawn its team from the tri-series involving Pakistan and Sri Lanka to be held in Rawalpindi and Lahore from November 17 to 29. The International Cricket Council (ICC) and Indian cricket board (BCCI) expressed solidarity with the ACB.

The ICC in a statement said it is deeply saddened by the tragic deaths of three young and promising Afghan cricketers, Kabeer Agha, Sibghatullah, and Haroon, in the air strike.

FULL PAK IN BRAHMOS RANGE, SAYS RAJNATH

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

EVERY inch of Pakistan's territory lies within the range of BrahMos and Operation Sindoor was just a trailer, Union defence minister Rajnath Singh said on Saturday in a stern warning to Pakistan.

The Union minister, along with Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath, flagged off the first batch of BrahMos missiles manufactured at the BrahMos Integration and Testing Facility Centre in Lucknow. Singh described the missile as a symbol of India's rising strength and proof of India's strategic confidence. "India's defence capabilities now serve as a powerful deterrent," the minister said.

"Every inch of Pakistan's territory lies within the range of BrahMos... Operation Sindoor ... made Pakistan realise that if India could create Pakistan, then if the time comes... I need not say more, you all are wise enough," he said.

"Maintaining this confidence is now our collective responsibility," he said.

"The entire world now recognises India's capability. BrahMos has strengthened our belief that India can turn its dreams into reality," he said. The indigenously developed BrahMos supersonic cruise missiles were used by India to destroy Pakistan's air bases during Operation Sindoor in May this year.

Inaugurated on May 11, 2025, the state-of-the-art BrahMos Aerospace unit houses all modern facilities for missile integration, testing and final quality checks. After successful testing, the missiles are prepared for deployment by the Indian armed forces.

Munir: Can shatter India's immunity

JAYANTH JACOB @ New Delhi

IN an escalation of rhetoric, Pakistan Army Chief Field Marshal Asim Munir has warned that Pakistan's expanding military capabilities could "shatter the misconceived immunity of India's geographical warspace."

His statement at the Pakistan Military Academy signifies another round of nuclear sabre-rattling. Munir asserted that even a "minor provocation" from India would invite a "decisive, beyond proportions" response from Pakistan. "Should a fresh wave of hostilities be triggered, Pakistan would respond much beyond the expectations of the initiators," he said.

Curbs on rallies with 10+ people

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THE State Government on Saturday issued an order restricting the use of government property, which also includes roads and parks, by any organisation or group of more than 10 people to carry out a march or rally, requiring them to take prior permission from the competent authority. Though the move is seen as an attempt to restrict RSS activities, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah maintained that they are not targeting any organisation. The GO was issued after the cabinet decision on Thursday.

As per the GO, permission from police commissioners in cities and deputy commissioners in districts is required for a rally of more than 10 people, even on roads, in parks or playgrounds. "The Government of Karnataka hereby orders that any private organisation, association or group of persons shall use the Government property or premises only upon the prior permission of the concerned competent authority," stated the GO. P4

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Gadag: Banjara community community leaders have decided to block highways if the state government fails to act on their demands against the internal reservation classification | P7

Govt ensuring GST cut reaches people: FM

New Delhi: Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Saturday said the government has kept a check on several items to ensure that the benefits of GST reforms are reaching consumers in the form of reduced prices | P15

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Commenting on the success of the Mega Job Fair held in Mysuru, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah expressed satisfaction over its outcome. "Yesterday's job fair in Mysuru was highly successful. Similar employment fairs will now be organised in all districts across the state," the CM said

PDO suspended for taking part in RSS rally

Official also works as assistant to BJP MLA; Posters, Bhagwa flags removed ahead of RSS march in Chittapur

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ADDING fuel to the controversy over state government's intention to ban activities of Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) on government properties, a panchayat development officer (PDO) was suspended in Raichur for taking part in a Sangh programme.

Also, buntings and posters put up for an RSS event on Sunday were removed at Chittapur in Kalaburagi district, which is RDPR and IT/BT Minister Priyank Kharge's constituency. Incidentally, it was Priyank who wrote a letter to Chief Minister Siddaramaiah to ban RSS activities in government spaces.

The opposition BJP, which recognises RSS as its ideological fountainhead, said it will fight the PDO's suspension legally and pointed out that prior permission had been taken for the RSS event on Sunday.

PDO Praveen Kumar KP, who was serving at Sirwar taluk of Raichur district, was suspended by the RDPR department on October 17 for taking part in an RSS rally at Lingasugur wearing the Sangh uniform on October 12. After his photo went viral, he was suspended for violating Rule 3 of Karnataka Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 2021, which stresses that government officials should maintain political neutrality and discipline. He was suspended after a departmental inquiry. Praveen also works as an assistant to Manappa Vajjal, BJP MLA from Lingasugur.

Meanwhile, RSS is planning a march in Chittapur, Bantwal and Byndoor in Dakshina Kannada district, Gubbi and Kunigal in Tumakuru district and other places.

BJP state president BY Vijayendra said Kumar's suspension has to be revoked, otherwise the party will give a fitting reply to the government. RSS had planned its ''Patha Sanchalan'' on Sunday and prepared the route map. They had put up buntings, posters and Bhagwa flags after taking prior permission. But the authorities removed them, claiming that the organisers had not taken permission, he added.

Vijayendra alleged that Chittapur is under feudal politics, and freedom of speech and expression of government officials is being curbed. "The Republic of Kalaburagi is being controlled from Chittapur. We will fight against this and uphold the Constitution and democracy," he said.

Assembly opposition leader R Ashoka said the organisers had taken permission from the Town Municipal Council to tie buntings, flags and other material. They had even paid the prescribed fee. "In spite of this, the materials were taken off overnight. Does Priyank think he is the Nizam of the region? If Priyank thinks such acts please Gandhis, he is dreaming. This act of Emergency will not last longer," he added.

Meanwhile, Tejasvi Surya, MP and BJP Yuva Morcha national president, said, "I have spoken to the PDO. I assured him that I would personally appear before the concerned tribunal and courts to challenge this illegal and unlawful suspension. Multiple judgments from across high courts have upheld government servants' right to participate in RSS programmes. I have no doubt that this unlawful suspension will be quashed. If the Siddaramaiah government wants a legal battle, we will give it one.''

Application must be given 3 days before event

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IT stated that "government property means and includes any land, building, structure, road, park, playground, waterbody or any other immovable property owned and managed by local authority or department, boards, corporation, under the control or vested in, entrusted with or maintained by the Government of Karnataka."

Any private association, society, trust, club, body of individuals, or any other entity, whether registered or not, other than local authority or government departments and undertakings, has to take permission from the "competent authority" which is the jurisdictional commissioner of police or deputy commissioner of the district or any other officers authorised by the government. The permission is required for "congregation of more than 10 people called by any name, who are accompanied by music or otherwise, any other activity having a common object to carry on a common movement or route march passing through a government property except marriage and funeral gatherings and movements". The application seeking permission for the programme has to be given three days before the intended procession.

The GO also stated that the applicant and the persons associated with him, having responsibility to organise programmes or processions, are liable to compensate and indemnify any loss or damage to public government or private properties, and they are also liable for any criminal liability arising out of such programmes or processions.

Any procession or rally in violation of the GO will be considered unlawful, and the assembly will be treated as an unlawful assembly as per the provisions of Bharatiya Nyaya Samhithe 2023, and the police will take appropriate action. The GO also stated that detailed guidelines shall be issued by the respective departments so as to ensure that the rights of the citizens are not compromised in the grant of such permission by the competent authorities.

Our government has issued the same kind of order. There was no objection when the BJP government did so. This order does not single out or target any specific organisation

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah

Siddu: Sangh Parivar, RSS oppose Ambedkar's Constitution even today

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KARNATAKA Chief Minister Siddaramaiah on Saturday said that the Sangh Parivar and RSS, who had opposed Dr BR Ambedkar's Constitution in the past, continue to do so even today.

The Chief Minister urged people to remain vigilant regarding their "ulterior motives".

Siddaramaiah was speaking after inaugurating the silver jubilee celebrations of the Dr BR Ambedkar Research and Extension Center and the new Gnana Darshana building at the Vishwa Gyani Auditorium in the University of Mysore's Manasagangotri campus on Saturday.

"Ambedkar was a visionary who used his knowledge to bring about social transformation. He studied society deeply to understand its inequalities and worked tirelessly to reform it. Today, the BJP and the Sangh Parivar are spreading falsehoods in Ambedkar's name, claiming that the Congress defeated him in the elections. But Ambedkar himself wrote, in his own handwriting, that it was RSS' Savarkar and Dange who defeated him. Such lies must be countered by presenting the truth before society," the CM said, adding that he established the Ambedkar School of Economics so that students could not only study Ambedkar, but also emulate his ideals.

"Ambedkar is incomparable, another Ambedkar cannot be born. Everyone should follow his principles," he said, adding that vested interests are spreading false narratives that Ambedkar alone did not frame the Constitution. "The fact is, he studied numerous constitutions worldwide and crafted one uniquely suited for our country," the CM said.

Recalling a recent incident, Siddaramaiah said, "A person with a Sanatana Dharma mindset threw a shoe at the Chief Justice of India merely because he was a Dalit. This shows that Sanatanis and vested interests still exist in our society. It is not only Dalits who must condemn such acts, every citizen should. Only then can we say society is moving towards real change. Buddha, Basava, and Ambedkar fought against caste discrimination, yet social inequality persists even today."

The Chief Minister said that everyone must nurture rationality and scientific temper. "Education should not lead to superstition. Inequality arises because equal opportunities are denied. Education is not the privilege of any one community, everyone deserves access to it. Stay close to those who stand for social progress and keep away from those who oppose change," the CM added.

Social Welfare and District Minister HC Mahadevappa urged university professors to speak openly and fearlessly on issues concerning the Constitution and democracy.

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah speaks during the distribution of the CM Cup awards to photo journalists in Mysuru on Saturday | UDAYASHANKAR S

'No organisation targeted'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Mysuru

CHIEF Minister Siddaramaiah on Saturday clarified that the recent government order requiring organisations to obtain permission before conducting activities in public places is not aimed at targeting any particular group. Speaking to reporters at his residence in Mysuru, Siddaramaiah said that the directive was issued to ensure that no public inconvenience arises from organisational events held in open or public spaces.

Responding to the controversy surrounding the RSS route march in Kundapura, he CM said that a similar order had earlier been issued by the BJP government led by Jagadish Shettar. "Our government has issued the same kind of order. There was no objection when the BJP government did so. This order does not single out or target any specific organisation," the CM reiterated.

He accused the BJP of politicising the issue instead of focusing on public welfare. "The police department will ensure that peace and harmony are maintained in society," he said.

Referring to contractors' protests over unpaid bills and their warning of approaching the Governor, Siddaramaiah said that the ministers concerned have been directed to take appropriate action to resolve the matter.

Rajanna skeptical

Former minister KN Rajanna on Saturday expressed doubt about the execution of the government order aimed at curbing the activities of private organizations, including that of the Muslims and RSS on government premises.

"Do Muslims get permission to offer namaz on Eidgah grounds and roads? Is it possible to prevent this? Do we have the power to stop people from offering prayers on the road without permission? Will they (Muslims) approach for permission? Can we ask them to take permission?"" he questioned while addressing the press in Tumakuru.

BJP has been coming to power through back door: George

Bengaluru: Energy Minister KJ George accused the BJP of coming to power through the back door and winning several constituencies by narrow margins through vote theft. He made these remarks while participating in a signature collection campaign against alleged vote theft, organised by the KPCC at Sarvagnanagar constituency. "Mahatma Gandhi and Nehru gave their lives for this country and won freedom. There is a Constitution in the country that declares that everyone is equal. But only BJP is taking a roundabout way to power. They have illegally seized power through vote theft," the minister said.

Burnt voter records found outside residence of former MLA Guttedar, he smells conspiracy

FIROZ ROZINDAR @ Kalaburagi

FORMER BJP MLA from Aland **Subhash Guttedar** has claimed that the alleged voter records, which were found burnt outside his house, were burnt by his workers to clean up waste for Deepavali.

"Also, I was not home at that time when the documents were burnt. It is normal to clean the house during Diwali. Our family members and maids burnt household waste, and since I am a former MLA, it is quite natural for voter lists to be present in my house," he said.

Addressing reporters on Saturday, he accused sitting MLA BR Patil of making false allegations of vote rigging in Aland Assembly constituency. "If there had really been vote rigging, I would have won the 2023 Assembly elections. Chief Minister Siddaramaiah is not considering BR Patil for a ministerial position. Hence, he has conspired to create a false narrative of vote rigging through Rahul Gandhi in order to become a minister," Guttedar said.

Meanwhile, the Special Investigation Team (SIT) is conducting a raid on the residence of Guttedar in connection with the Aland constituency case. The action follows an incident in which a bundle of documents was reportedly set on fire in Aland town and allegedly thrown into a river.

The police have seized a goods vehicle allegedly used in the incident, while its driver, identified as Vishal, is on the run. The owner of the vehicle has been summoned by Aland police for questioning on charges of destroying evidence.

It may be noted that the SIT has been conducting raids on the premises of Guttedar and his associates in connection with the alleged voter list tampering case in Aland.

Separate teams have already searched the residence of Guttedar in Gubbi Colony and in the house of his associate Mallikarjun Mahantagol in Vivekananda Nagar.

More than 80 officials and staff, including over 50 policemen, were reportedly involved in the raid. Sources said SIT officials have been camping in Kalaburagi and have so far raided five locations and are scrutinising documents linked to the case.

Battling political uncertainties & admin challenges

POLITICAL circles in Karnataka are abuzz with speculations of significant developments in the next few weeks as the Congress government approaches the halfway mark of its five-year tenure. There is no clarity on a major reshuffle of the Siddaramaiah cabinet or the leadership change, while the party high command's studied silence is adding fuel to such discussions. A sense of persistent political uncertainty seems to be taking a toll on the administration and Brand Bengaluru.

Be it the potholed roads in Bengaluru frequently hitting national headlines, the Contractors Association making serious allegations against the government, and the hasty execution of the Socio-Economic Survey (caste survey), these expose the government's shortcomings on multiple fronts.

The latest round of debate on Bengaluru infrastructure was triggered by Biocon Executive Chairperson Kiran Mazumdar-Shaw's tweet: "I had an overseas business visitor to Biocon Park who said, 'Why are the roads so bad and why is there so much garbage around? Doesn't the Govt want to support investment? I have just come from China and can't understand why India can't get its act together, especially when the winds are favourable?"

Many in the private sector and civil society backed her views and called for fixing the infrastructure and civic issues. However, ministers' response was indifferent — some called the tweet not in good taste as works were in progress, others suggested the private sector should take up works under corporate social responsibility (CSR), while a few even asked if any industrialists would talk like this against the Modi government? Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar, who is also the minister in charge of Bengaluru development, termed such remarks as 'hurting their own country' and reminded the private sector of Bengaluru's contribution to their growth.

Andhra Pradesh's Minister Nara Lokesh's aggressive retorts and equally sharp response from his Karnataka counterparts only expanded the debate to the national level. For nearly three decades, neighbouring Andhra Pradesh has been trying to position itself as a worthy competitor to Karnataka. It did manage to get some big investments, the latest being Google investing $15 billion in a data and AI hub.

However, Bengaluru is in a different league. Its USP of being an IT, start-up capital, and innovation hub, availability of talented workforce, top-rated education institutions, research and development facilities, and, to top it all, its salubrious climate and competitive work culture, provides an ideal ecosystem for industries to thrive. It is competing at the global level. That makes it even more important for the government and private sector firms based in Namma Bengaluru to work cohesively to strengthen its infrastructure and image.

While the government cannot absolve itself of its responsibilities to provide the best infrastructure, the business honchos should provide constructive suggestions. After all, they are the ambassadors of the state and its investor-friendly policies. To make that happen, the government needs to take the initiative to bring the industry leaders and civic groups on one platform for regular exchange of views on issues that matter to the citizens. The need for such a platform is even more crucial in the absence of an elected civic body. What we have now is a top-down approach and a lack of involvement of civil society in decision-making.

While active involvement of citizens would help to put in place a much-needed participatory decision-making mechanism, it also helps the government to build public perception in its favour. It all boils down to the priorities of those in power.

Another issue that could seriously impact its image is alleged corruption in awarding contracts. Earlier this week, the government came under fire from the State Contractors' Association, which made serious allegations and threatened to stop all works if the government failed to release the pending bills of around Rs 33,000 crore within a month. Some members of the association also accused officials and elected representatives, cutting across party lines, of taking commissions. The contractors have also decided to approach the Governor and the Congress high command if the State Government failed to address their concerns.

While Chief Minister Siddaramaiah has dared them to approach the courts, the allegations do not bode well for his government's image. In the run-up to the 2023 assembly polls, Congress had made the association's "40% commission" allegation against the BJP government a big issue, and had promised to fight corruption. It is now facing serious charges from members of the same association. The government and the party need to introspect on that front.

The government's handling of the ongoing caste census, especially its response to Infosys founder Narayana Murthy and his wife, Rajya Sabha member Sudha Murty's decision not to take part in it, was questionable. The CM and some senior leaders from his party called it "the height of hypocrisy," "anti-constitutional", and even questioned "if they are know-alls". Why criticise Murthys or anyone, for that matter, when the High Court had directed that the participation in the survey is voluntary? Also, concerns are being expressed about their declaration refusing to be part of the survey circulated in the public domain, raising questions about the privacy and protection of survey data.

BJP seeks action against officials circulating NRN and Sudha Murty's declaration

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LEADER of Opposition in the Assembly R Ashoka slammed the State government over circulation of Infosys founder Narayana Murthy and Rajya Sabha member Sudha Murty's declaration refusing to participate in the Socio-Economic Survey in public domain.

He furthre demanded Chief Minister Siddaramaiah to take action against the officials responsible for it.

He said the government had given a written assurance before the High Court that citizens' data collected in the survey will remain confidential.

"Will you take action against the officials responsible for this breach of privacy?'' Ashoka questioned.

He said the Congress leaders calling the Murthys traitors for not taking part in the survey was authoritarianism at its worst.

He said the Karnataka High Court had said that participation in the survey was not mandatory and all information given by citizens during the survey must remain confidential.

"Despite the directives from the High Court, the State government has chosen to defy the judiciary, committing what contempt of court," he said.

Ashoka asked on what grounds senior Congress leader BK Hariprasad has dubbed non-participants in the survey traitors.

Ashoka defended Kiran Mazumdar- Shaw and other industrialists who have raised poor civic and infrastructure issues. Instead of fixing it, the Congress leaders have insulted them by asking them to use Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) funds to fill potholes. They also asked the industrialists to show their accounts of the CSR spending, he said.

"This is not governance. This is bullying, contempt, and political vendetta against those who have built Karnataka's pride," the BJP leader added.

A man from Mysuru allegedly lost Rs 6 lakhs to an online fraud. On October 13, the victim, K Somshekhar, received a WhatsApp call from an unknown number. The person who called him introduced himself as Rahul Kulkarni, a Data Protection Board official and claimed that fraudulent advertisements and investment-related messages were sent from victim's mobile phone, and around 20 people had filed complaints

K'taka gets 422 more PG medical seats, total 2,116

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THE National Medical Commission (NMC) has allotted 422 additional postgraduate medical seats this year to Karnataka medical colleges, taking the total to 2,116 seats this year.

Karnataka Medical Education Minister Sharan Prakash Patil said the notification on the number of additional seats allocated for PG medical courses is yet to be uploaded online. "We had asked NMC for 572 PG seats, but they have approved 422, which is good. Last year, the total number of seats was 1,694. Besides, NMC is yet to determine the enhancement of seats in private medical colleges. Once they are allocated, the government will get its share of seats in private medical colleges," he added.

He said majority of seats have been given to the clinical medical department. He said that 312 seats have been allocated to clinical, 60 to para-clinical and 50 to pre-clinical. Under the clinical department, 64 seats are given to MD paediatrics, 63 to anaesthesia, 52 to obstetrics and gynaecology, and 58 to general surgery.

On government's share of medical seats in deemed-to-be universities, he said, "These universities have clearly told us that they will not give a share of seats to the government. This is because of lack of provision in the law. Only the central government can make certain provisions in the law so that state governments get their share of seats in such institutions."

He said NMC has already approved an increase of 450 undergraduate medical seats in government colleges. "It has already been updated on the Karnataka Examination Authority website. Meanwhile, 1,100 MBBS seats have been approved for private colleges, taking the total to 13,945. Last year, the total number was 12,395. The government will take 40% of its share in private medical colleges and 25% in minority medical colleges. For the first time, 15% of seats in government medical colleges will be reserved for Non-Resident Indians," he said.

FESTIVAL BUZZ

People purchase firecrackers from a shop ahead of Deepavali, in Basavanagudi, Bengaluru, on Saturday | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

3 TN men nabbed for using fake currency to cheat traders

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THE Jayanagar police arrested three men from Tamil Nadu for allegedly trying to cheat businessmen by promising to give counterfeit currency in exchange for genuine notes. The police did not find any counterfeit currency during the raid. The accused are Miran Mohiduddin (39), Sheikh Mohammed (40), and Rajeshwaran (43), from Tirunelveli.

A senior officer explained that the accused lured traders and small business owners by claiming that if they gave Rs 10 lakh in genuine money, they would receive three times the amount in counterfeit currency. To gain the victims' trust, the accused initially handed over genuine notes claiming to be counterfeit and conducted money exchanges on the roadside.

The police said that, based on a tip-off that the gang was active in South Bengaluru, they caught the trio red-handed with bundles of white papers mixed with 31 Rs 500 notes. However, only white papers kept between genuine notes to mislead the victims. Four other accused are absconding.

Harassed by senior, 19-yr-old BBA student dies by suicide

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A 19-year-old second-year BBA student of a private college has died by suicide at a rented house where she was staying with her friends. The victim is said to have taken the extreme step due to the harassment and torture from her senior from Kerala.

The incident happened on Friday in Green Garden Layout in the Bagalur police station limits. The deceased Sana Parvin, who hailed from Somwarpet in Kodagu district, had come to the city to study at a private college in Kadusonnappanahalli.

Her father, Abdul Nazeer, a civil contractor by profession, has filed the complaint against the suspect, identified as Rifas, who hails from Thrissur district in Kerala, who had passed out two years back. A case of abetment to suicide under Section 108 of BNS was filed.

"The complainant stated that his daughter took her life because of the continued harassment by Rifas. He is said to have been harassing her to be in a relationship with him. The suspect is absconding," said an officer. "On Friday, around 11 am, one of Sana's teachers called the complainant's wife and informed her that Sana was unwell and asked her to come immediately. The wife informed the complainant, who left his hometown for Bengaluru. Around 2:30 pm., while he was on his way, his younger brother, Abdul Jabbar, called and told him that Sana's condition was serious and asked him to come to Dr B.R. Ambedkar Hospital in K.G. Halli. The complainant reached the hospital around 5 pm. His brother informed him that around 10 am, Sana had hanged herself at her residence. When her college staff had taken her to a private hospital, doctors declared her dead," according to Nazeer's complaint.

"About 10 months ago, Sana had called her parents and told them that Rifas was harassing, stalking, blackmailing her, and physically assaulting her. The complainant had then called the college and informed them about the issue. The authorities had called Rifas and warned him, according to an officer, based on the complaint.

Nazeer, who went to the Bagalur Police Station, spoke to his daughter's housemates and found out that his daughter had remained back at home, complaining of breathing difficulty. She had also sent a message about this in her college WhatsApp group. When her friend rushed back home around 10.30 am, they saw people taking Sana to the hospital as she had hanged herself inside the house.

Man kills wife suspecting her fidelity, arrested

Bengaluru: An electrician who strangled his wife to death on suspicion that she was having an illicit relationship was arrested by the Hebbagodi police on Thursday. He was trying to portray it as an accidental electrocution. The incident took place at their residence in O Shakti Layout on Wednesday. The accused Prashanth Kumar (25), was married to the deceased, Reshma (32), a domestic help and a native of Kalaburagi. The couple had been living in a rented house on 2nd Cross, O Shakti Layout, Maragondanahalli. Reshma's first husband had died due to health complications, and she has a 15-year-old daughter. Nine months ago, she married Kumar after they met through social media. Around 5 pm on Wednesday, Reshma's daughter returned home from school and found her mother unconscious, police said. She alerted family members and neighbours, who rushed Reshma to a nearby hospital, where doctors declared her dead. However, Reshma's elder sister grew suspicious of her death. When she questioned Reshma's daughter, the girl revealed that her mother and stepfather often had arguments and that the bathroom was locked from the outside. Kumar was arrested on Thursday. He confessed that in a fit of rage, strangled her to death. He dragged her to the bathroom, placed her hand in a bucket, and switched on the water heater to make it appear as a death caused by electric shock, the police said. ENS

Man from Puttur found dead in city lodge

Bengaluru: A 20-year-old man from Puttur in Dakshina Kannada was found dead under mysterious circumstances at a lodge room in Madiwala police station limits. The victim had come to the lodge along with a woman suspected to be his girlfriend from Virajpet in Kodagu and stayed there for eight days. They had checked in on October 9. However, the person was found dead sometime after his girlfriend checked out on Friday. The deceased P Thakshith was found dead in a sleeping posture with a blanket covering him around 6.30 pm on Friday. The police suspect that he must have died of cardiac arrest. The police who have registered a case of unnatural death are waiting for the postmortem report. On Thursday, around 9 pm, Thakshith had informed the ward boy of vacating the room the next day. On Friday, around 6.15 pm, when Alim, the ward boy, went to remind Thakshith, there was no response. The lodge staff informed the police. The Madiwala police, who entered the room by breaking open the door, found him lying dead on the bed. It is said that both of them studied together at a college in Panambur in Mangaluru. "The family members of the deceased have not suspected anybody. Prima facie, it appears that the death must be natural. If the report suggests foul play, then the woman who was with him will be summoned for questioning," said an officer. "They were paying the room rent regularly. They had also complained of food poisoning and had gone to a medical store to buy tablets," the lodge manager said. ENS

EXPRESS READ

Police constable murders former wife in Belagavi

Belagavi: A constable allegedly murdered his ex-wife in Saundatti town, Belagavi. The victim is Kashamma Nellikatti, while the accused is **Santosh Kambale**. Santosh and Kashamma had married 13 years ago. Kashamma was working as a bus conductor. Their relationship turned bitter over the years as Santosh allegedly grew suspicious of his wife's character and frequently harassed and assaulted her. Unable to bear the constant physical and mental torture, Kashamma had left her husband and moved back to her parental home. Later, she got herself transferred to the Saundatti depot and began living in a rented house. She had even filed for divorce. On October 13, he went to her residence, and slit her throat and stabbed her multiple times. Santosh is on the run.

History-sheeter shot dead in police encounter

Vijayapura: A history-sheeter, **Yunus Iklas Patel** (35), was shot dead by police on the outskirts of Rampur village in Sindagi taluk on Saturday. Yunus, a habitual offender, had robbed a person of Rs 25,000 at knifepoint on Thursday. Based on a tip-off that Yunus was heading towards Devangaon village, a police team reportedly intercepted him near Rampur. When the police attempted to arrest him, the accused allegedly tried to attack the officers. Talakeri first fired a warning shot, but as the accused continued his attack, he fired at Yunus in the leg in self-defence. He was given primary treatment and later shifted to the Vijayapura District Hospital, where he was declared him brought dead. Police sources believe that the accused died of profuse bleeding. ENS

Office of Executive Engineer K. U. W. S. & D. B, Division M. G. Road, Hassan - 573201
Ph: 08172-268708 e-mail: eehassan708@gmail.com

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION (Through KPPP portal only)

1) KUWSDB/2025-26/WT/WORK-INDENT388/CALL-2 Name of the work:- Tender for the work of repairs to existing outfall sewer line, provision for colour glazed tiles to chlorine contact tank and 117kWp grid connected rooftop solar power plant at 5MLD SBR type STP in Belur town under incentives received for up gradation of STP's under JHA initiative under AMRUT-2.0. (Lumpsum - no Variation). 2) KUWSDB/2025-26/WT/WORK-INDENT389/CALL-2 Name of the work:- Tender for the work of repair and servicing of electro mechanical equipment, supply & installations of online monitoring system and supply & erection of 50 kWp on grid connected ground mounted solar power plant for 12 MLD STP plant at Arasikere city under JHA initiative under amrut-2.0. (Lumpsum-no Variation) Last date and time for submission/uploading of the tenders in the KPPP portal:- 27.10.2025 upto 5.30 PM, For further details, the Office of the Executive Engineer, KUWS & D B, Division, Hassan may please be contacted or website https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, K.U.W.S. & D. Board, Division, Hassan

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SOUTHERN RAILWAY
TENDER NOTICE

E-Tenders are invited by the Senior Divisional Mechanical Engineer, Southern Railway, Salem-636005 for the following work:

S.No.	Description	Description
1	Tender Notice Number and date	Bid Number: **GEM/2025/B/6790257** dated **17.10.2025**
2	Name of work	Transportation of NMR MG Coaches, MG Wagons and X-class steam locomotives between Mettupalayam C&W depot (MTP) and Golden Rock Workshop, Trichy (GOC) for a period of Three years
3	Estimate Value	Rs. 1,35,20,477/-
4	Tender Closing date and Time	10.11.2025 at 15.00 Hrs
5	Tender Opening date and Time	10.11.2025 at 15.30 Hrs
6	Web address	**http://www.gem.gov.in**

The Tender has been uploaded on the GeM portal http://www.gem.gov.in on 17.10.2025

The firms registered in GeM Portal are only eligible to participate in this tender. Complete details of the above tenders are given on the GeM portal **"www.gem.gov.in**

For Details of bid submission, please refer website portal **"www.gem.gov.in".** For Details about scope of work, approximate value of tender, location and other documents, please refer website portal **"www.gem.gov.in"**

Senior Divisional Mechanical Engineer, Southern Railway, Salem 636 005

STATE BANK OF INDIA

Retail Assets Central Processing Centre, Koramangala Bangalore #12, Ground, 2nd & 3rd Floor, 80 Feet Road,1st Block, Koramangala, Bangalore-560034. Karnataka, India. Email: maintracpc2.ban@sbi.co.in

POSSESSION NOTICE [RULE - 8(1)]
(For Immovable Property)

A/c No.: SBI/RACPC/SRA/KRMANGALA/ HL/64048267544/ 64057676941

Whereas

The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the State Bank of India, under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 (No.3 of 2002) issued a Demand Notices dated15/07/2025 issued, calling upon the BORROWER: **1). Sri C. Gopi S/o Late Sri Chinnappa.R**, No.236 property No.22, Sidihosakote village Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru District-562 106, **2). Sri C. Gopi S/o Sri Late Chinnappa.R**, No.158, Sidihosakote, Sidihosakote Post, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru District-562 106, **3). Sri C. Sivakumar S/o Late Chinnappa.R** No.236 property No.22, Sidihosakote Village Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru District-562 106, **4). Sri C. Sivakumar S/o Late Chinnappa.R**, No.158, Sidihosakote, Sidihosakote post, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru District-562 106. to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs. 8,79,985/- (Eight Lakh Seventy-Nine Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Five only) as on 01.07.2025** and with interest at contractual rate and expenses thereon within **60 days** from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 & 9 of the said rules, on 16.10.2025

The Borrowers in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the State Bank of India for an amount of **Rs. 9,09,615/- (Rupees Nine Lakhs-Nine Thousand Six Hundred and Fifteen Only) as on 13.10.2025,and interest, + expenses, cost, charges, etc. thereon.**

The borrower's attention is invited to provision of Sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the site bearing Jungar No.236 and property No.22 measuring 30X40 ft situated at Sidihosakote Village, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru District with house construction there on standing in the name of **Sri R Chinnappa, S/o Late Sri Ramaiah,** vide Hakkupatra, endorsement dated 26.02.2007 issued by BDO, Anekal and mortgaged in favour of the Bank vide Document No. ANK-1-01123/2009-10 and CD No.ANKD236 dated 15.07.2009 at SRO, Anekal an extension of mortgaged Vide Document No. ANK-1-04537/2009-10 and CD No. ANKD252 dated 29.03.2010 at SRO, Anekal and bounded on: **East by:** House belongs to Sri. Sampangi, **West by:** House belongs to Sri. Subramani, **North by:** Panchayathi Road, **South by:** House belongs to Smt.Venkatamma.

Authorized Officer
STATE BANK OF INDIA
RACPC- II, Koramangala ,BENGALURU

Date: 16.10.2025
Place: Bengaluru

VIJAYANAGARA CLUB
Vijayanagara, Bangalore-560104. Ph: 080-2330 0675, 96060 38126

INVITATION OF TENDER

The Sealed Technical And Financial Bids In Two Covers Seperately Are Invite The Prescribed Tender Document From The Reputed Registered Experience Elegible / Qualified Contractors For The Work Of: Construction Of Multi Level Car Parking And Tennis Court In Vijayanagara Club, Bangalore.
Estimation Cost : Rs. 400 Lakhs (Including Civil Works, Electrical and Sanitary Plumbing works)
TIME SCHEDULE / CALENDER OF EVENTS:
(1) Tender Form Cost- Rs. 5,000/- in the form of Cash / DD in favour of Vijayanagara Club, Bangalore. (2) Date of Issue Tender Form: Date: 20-10-2025, (3) Last Date and Time for Receipt of Tender Form: Date: 30-10-2025 Time: 07.00 P.M, (4) Opening of Tender Form 31-10-2025.
The Secretary, Vijayanagara Club, Reserves the rights to accept / reject any of the Quotations without assigning any reason.
Address For Communication: 080-23300675 / Mob. No. 9606038126.

Sd/-
Secretary, Vijayanagara Club.

UJVN LIMITED
H.O.: "UJJWAL", Maharani Bagh, G.M.S. Road, Dehradun-248006
Telephones: 0135-2763808, Fax: 0135-2763508
CIN No.U40101UR2001SGC025866, Website:www.ujvnl.com

Letter No: 815 Date: 18/10/2025

e-Tender Date Extension Notice-06

Due to unavoidable reasons, the dates of tenders invited against e-NIT No. 1/UJVN/DGM(Civil-ATTP)/2025-26 is hereby extended as follows:
Last Date of Online Submission of e-Tender: 10.11.2025 up to 17.00 hrs
Last Date of Offline Submission of document: 12.11.2025 up to 17.00 hrs **(Document in original)**
Date and Time of Opening of e-Tender Part-I: 14.11.2025 after 11.00 hrs.
Details of subsequent addendum/corrigendum/ cancellation etc. may be obtained from e-procurement portal **"http://uktenders.gov.in"**

Dy. General Manager (Civil)
Arakot-Tiuni & Tiuni Plasu Project, Dakpathar

"AVOID WASTEFUL USE OF ELECTRICITY"

KARNATAKA GRAMEENA BANK
(A Scheduled Bank owned by Government)
Regional Office, Bengaluru, Karnataka
No 19 &19-1, 2nd Floor, South End Road, Basavanagudi, Bengaluru-560004
Email: br2504@kgbk.in.

PREMISES REQUIRED

Offers are invited under SINGLE-BID SYSTEM from the owners of commercial space preferably in the Ground floor/First floor and ready for occupation with required Power load and willing to construct Strong Room as per our Bank's Specifications, for Branch at the following location.

Sl No	Branch	Present Branch Address & Mobile No	Measurement
1	Yelahanka	No 1, KHB Colony, Gandhinagar, BB Road, Yelahanka old Town, Bangalore-560064 **Mobile No.9845611997**	1000-1800 Sq Ft
2	Kalkunte	Via Kadugodi, Hosakote Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District-560117 **Mobile No.9108283295**	900-1200 Sq Ft
3	Kattigenahalli	No 152, Baglur Main Road, IAF Post, Dwarakanagar, Bangalore-560063 **Mobile No.9931530264**	1000-1800 Sq Ft
4	Kodipalya	No 71, Sowganga Complex, Hemmigepura Main Road, Bangalore-560060 **Mobile No.9845613423**	900-1800 Sq Ft
5	Kothnur	Above Lulu Mart, Gubbi cross, Kothnur, Bangalore-560077 **Mobile No.9535064016**	900-1800 Sq Ft
6	Kodathi Gate	No.442/25, Kodathi gate,Varthur Hobli, Carmelaram Post, Sarjapura Main Road, Bangalore.560035. **Mobile No.8971551412**	900-1200 Sq Ft
7	Chikkabidarakall	No 50, Lakshmi Venkateshwara Nilaya, Chikkabidarakallu Main Road, Nagasandra Post, Dasanapura Hobli. Bangalore-560073 **Mobile No.9845612916**	900-1200 Sq Ft

The details are published in Bank's Website: **www.karnatakagb.bank.in.**
The necessary application forms may be obtained from the above mentioned Office OR at Above mentioned Branches For any queries kindly contact above mentioned Branch Mobile numbers. Last date for submission of application is on **03.11.2025** (date) up to **5 P.M.** Further, communications, corrigendum, amendments, if any, will be hosted in Bank's website only.

Date : 17.10.2025
Place : Bengaluru

Sd/- Sri. Hari Prasad M
Regional Manager, Bengaluru

Government of Karnataka
Zilla Panchayat Shivamogga
Office of The Executive Engineer,
Panchayat Raj Engineering Divison, Sagara.
No.: EE/PRED/SD/S/S/H/KW&KG-1,2&3/AE/JE/2025-26/1684
Date: 15.10.2025

Tender Notice (Through KPPP Portal)

On behalf of the Governor of Karnataka, the Panchayat Raj Engineering Department, Sagara, has invited item-wise e-tenders from eligible contractors registered with the Public Works Department and also registered with KPPP for the works under the schemes mentioned here: SCP/TSP, MGNREGA, Grey Water Management, PM Shri, Pradhan Mantri Adarsh Gram, MLA-LAD Scheme, School Room Repair, 3054 CMGSY, 2225 BCM, 5054 Special Grant, and 5054 Rain Relief Program Scheme for the year 2025–26, falling under the jurisdiction of this department.

1. Date for Tender Form Download: 17-10-2025 to 31-10-2025 **2.** Last Date for Submission of Tender Form: 31-10-2025 up to 16:00:00 hrs **3.** Date of Bid Opening: 03-11-2025 at 16:01:00 hrs

1. General Works: 17408/CALL-3, 17416/CALL-3, 10826/CALL-3, 10159/CALL-3, 19255, 19359, 19245, 18615, 18804, 17902/CALL-2, 18307/CALL-2, 18014/CALL-2, 19689 **2. ST Works:** 19355, 17890/CALL-2 **3. SC Works:** 18016/CALL-2 **4. Category II A Works**: 19460, 19055/CALL-2, 17895/CALL-2

Tender details can be obtained from the office of the Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj Engineering Division, Sagara, and can also be viewed and downloaded from the K.P.P.P. website (www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in).

For further information, please contact the office of the Content Manager at telephone number 08183-226064 during office hours, or contact the Helpdesk at telephone numbers 080-25501216 / 25501227.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj Engineering Division, Sagara

DIPR/smg/NO:95/10/ksmca/25-26/1126

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
MINOR IRRIGATION AND GROUND WATER DEVELOPMENT
Office of the Executive Engineer,
Minor Irrigation and Ground water development
Divison, Mandya, E mail: eemimandya@gmail.com

No.EE-MID/MDY/TA/AE/TB/2025-26/1342 Dt:16.10.2025

SHORT TENDER NOTIFICATION NO: 08/2025-26, Dated: 16-10-2025

On behalf of Governor of Karnataka, Executive Engineer, M.I & G.W.D Division, Mandya invited item wise Tender from eligible contractors under " KPP " Portal as per the terms and conditions prescribed in standard tender bid documents KW-1 and KW-4 Under the Head of Account 4702-SCP Check Dam Schemes, 4702- TSP Check Dam Schemes, 4702 - LIS there are 05 No's of works, amount put to tender ranging from Rs. 100.00 Lakhs to as high as Rs. 498.00 Lakhs. Any information regarding this tender may be obtained from this office on or before dated: 06-11-2025 during Working hours. The tenders may be uploaded (Technical and Financial bids to be uploaded separately) with the prescribed E.M.D and requisite documents through website "www.kppp.karnataka.govt.in " before 07-11-2025 up to 17-30 Hours. Technical bids of the bidders will be opened on 10-11-2025 at 11-00 Hours. Financial bids of the eligible bidders will be opened on 11-11-2025 at 17-30 Hours.

Note: All the rights and decisions if any of all works or any of the work of this tender reserved by the under signed. Terms and conditions required for each work is published in the " www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in " Tender Portal. Any additional information is available at the office of the undersigned. Any corrections /Date Changes/Addendum and Corrigendum regarding each individual works will be published separately in" kpp" portal only.

Sd/-Executive Engineer,
MI & GWD Division, Mandya.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The notice is hereby given to public that Chandrashekarayya has lost original sale deed bearing doc.no.6131/2000-01 and 6607/2002-03. It is hereby informed to the public that in case any of them finds the same can contact on the below mentioned address or phone number.

SCHEDULE :

All that piece and parcel of Immovable Property No.27/3, Khatha No.443/451, PID No.3347241670, Property No.5369/27/3/443/451, Measuring East to West:40ft and North to South:41ft, in all measuring 1640Sqft.,Situated at Hagadur Village, K.R.Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, now comes under the jurisdiction of BBMP Limits, and bounded as follows: East by:House belongs to Srikanthaiah, West By:Passage, North by:House belongs to Sri.Krishnareddy, South by:15ft Road.

V.L. Associates
Advocates
No.56, Out house, 19th Main Road, 2nd Block, Rajajinagar, Bangalore-560 010.
Ph:9481900851/9743323668.
Place: Bangalore Date: 18.10.2025

SMART ADS

SALE
Site for Sale 4500 sft. at 8.05 Cr , Indiranagar, Bengaluru. Agent Excuse
call- 9008012726

Brigade Foundation has launched a sapling planting campaign -- From Saplings to a Sanctuary: Planting 1,00,000 Trees for a Greener Tomorrow -- which was inaugurated by Minister M B Patil in the presence of Brigade Group Chairman M R Jaishankar. Over one lakh saplings will be planted across Brigade Group's properties in North Bengaluru. Brigade Foundation has partnered with Bengaluru-based ecological firm Vanantara to nurture these saplings

Traffic, infra issues stop tourists from entering B'luru

They make KIA new tourist destination; presense of hotels in Devanahalli, and adjoining areas a big draw for travellers, say tour operators

BOSKY KHANNA @Bengaluru

KEMPEGOWDA International Airport (KIA) and its surroundings, and not Bengaluru, has emerged as a tourism hub for tourists arriving in the city as part of meetings, incentives, conferences and exhibitions tourism, a segment of business tourism.

Tour operators and stakeholders have opined that tourists are gathering at the airport and visiting surrounding areas without crossing the toll plaza. They hold meetings, interactions and are even holidaying in and around the airport – all in a day – before boarding the evening flights. This was the new trend that was discussed on Saturday among tour operators and stakeholders during the workshop as part of golden jubilee celebrations of Skal India-Bengaluru Circle, an association of travel and tourism professionals.

The presence of hotels, restaurants and resorts in Devanahalli and adjoining areas, including in Andhra Pradesh, where there are no traffic congestions, are increasingly attracting tourists landing at KIA. Besides, the eateries on KIA premises and the hotels in its vicinity are a big draw for the tourists who are on short-haul trips, they said. "While there are niche star hotels near the airport, there are also earthy homestays and resorts a short distance from the airport. The airport itself has a large area inside and outside making it a popular destination for those who want to avoid traffic," said a tour operator.

Rohit Hangal, tourism expert and Skal Member, said the international airport is becoming the new get-together hub. People are not just coming for meetings, but are also having get-togethers. The hospitality sector is booming there. Tourists are trying all means to avoid Bengaluru's traffic and the toll plaza, he said.

Although Bengaluru is a stop-over for many tourists and has a large floating population, its infrastructure is a concern. This has been brought to the notice of the state government. "However, the pace at which the work is happening needs to gain momentum with the growing population influx," said Manimegalai, President of SKAL International, Bengaluru Club.

Venkatesan D, Regional Director (south), Ministry of Tourism, said tourism does not involve only one department. "It involves coordination and collective efforts from many other departments, including home affairs, civil aviation, urban development department and the others. Thus focus and efforts should be made collectively to increase tourism footfalls."

Venkatesan added that efforts are also being made to ensure continuous training to taxi and auto drivers for they are the frontline and first tourism ambassadors of the city and state. They need to be trained in soft skills, hospitality and communication to draw more tourists.

EXTRA VIGIL

Suo motu plaints filed against ACFs and RFOs

YATHIRAJU @Bengaluru

THE Upa Lokayuktas registered 31 suo motu complaints to check how forests are being protected in all districts of the state. All the complaints were registered against the assistant conservators of forests (ACFs) and range forest officers (RFOs).

The two Upa Lokayuktas, Justices KN Phaneendra and B Veerappa, said the complaints were filed as a stringent measure to protect the neglected territorial, social and wildlife forests by the state. They shot off 19 questions to forest officials, and of them, two most prominent are: How many stone quarrying, sand mining and stone crushers are operating illegally in your taluk? What is the extent of the deemed and reserved forest taken into possession of the forest department after obtaining the sketch from the revenue department?

Tracing the notification dated May 5, 2022, attached to the affidavit submitted by the state government to the Supreme Court in the Godavarman case, declaring 3,30,186-93 hectares deemed forest for preservation and development, the two Upa Lokayuktas have extracted district-wise data of deemed forests in the order passed to register suo motu complaints, which considered deemed forests. The authorities of the territorial, social and wildlife forestry are directed to furnish the following details pertaining to the last three years. The details to be submitted are the total extent of natural regeneration of the forest, estimation, technical sanction, administrative or financial approval for plantation of saplings, and total budget approved for natural regeneration, and many more. ACFs and RFOs have been told to submit details by November 25.

GST sleuths unearth ₹112 cr fraud in D'gere

ENS @Davanagere

OFFICERS of the Directorate General of GST Intelligence (DGGI), Belagavi Zonal Unit, have uncovered significant GST evasion during an inspection operation conducted at the premises of Mariyam Scrap Dealers, Harihar in Davanagere district.

The investigation has revealed the issuance of fake invoices valued at approximately Rs 112 crore, resulting in allegedly fraudulently availing and utilising Input Tax Credit (ITC) amounting to Rs 17.14 crore. During the inspection, Mohammad Saqlain was identified as the key person responsible for operations of the said firm. He was confronted with evidence collected by the department. Saqlain admitted to fraudulently availing ITC by providing fake bills.

He also said short-payment of GST under reverse charge mechanism amounting to Rs 4.5 crore, taking the total amount to a whopping Rs 21.64 crore.

Lowering SSLC, PUC pass marks needs dicussion: Min

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Udupi

HIGHER Education Minister **Dr MC Sudhakar** on Saturday said the decision of the Primary and Secondary Education department to lower the pass percentage for SSLC and PUC needs to be discussed in detail.

Sudhakar told reporters that he has no clarity as to why Primary and Secondary Education Minister Madhu Bangarappa chose to reduce the pass marks for SSLC from 35 to 33 and for PUC from 35 to 30.

"Even I feel that a decision to lower the pass marks should have been taken after a more careful study. Chief Minister Siddaramaiah also has directed Bangarappa that a discussion should be held," he said.

He said that many MLAs are requesting colleges in rural areas, but the department has to first recruit faculty and make other arrangements before starting a college. The government is focussing on strengthening existing colleges and introducing job-oriented courses. Nearly 2,000 students have joined job-oriented courses in the past two years, he added. "We introduced four degree programmes in B.Com -- Logistics, Retail, e-commerce and Banking and Finance. We have signed an MoU with Chroma and Reliance. Students will get apprenticeship opportunities during the fifth or sixth semester of their course," he added. On Infosys founder NR Narayana Murthy and his RS MP-wife Sudha Murty declining to participate in the Socio-Economic and Educational Survey, he said, "We have respect for the founders of Infosys, which brought laurels to the entire nation in the field of information technology. All sections of society, by default, declare their caste. I would like to ask the Murthys whether they would take the same stand when the Union government takes up the caste survey next year. Younger generation, have been following you when it comes to their future. You should think before making such decisions."ww

Members of the Banjara community stage an indefinite protest in Gadag on Saturday | EXPRESS

Banjaras warn of highway blockades

RAGHOTTAM KOPPAR @Gadag

QUOTA ROW

THE indefinite protest by the Banjara community in Gadag against the state government's internal reservation classification among Scheduled Castes entered its second week, with leaders warning of intensified protest if demands are not met.

At a massive Gora Nasab (Maha Panchayat) held on Friday, community leaders decided to ban the entry of elected representatives from all political parties into their tandas (settlements) and to block highways near these areas if the government fails to act on their demands. The Karnataka Banjara Rights Protection Committee, along with several community organisations, announced that a social media campaign will be launched against the government, accusing it of "injustice and discrimination."

The indefinite strike, which began on October 6, concluded on Friday after protesters submitted a memorandum addressed to Chief Minister Siddaramaiah through the Gadag Deputy Commissioner. The letter warned that if the government fails to enhance the Banjara community's reservation quota within 15 days, they would "teach the government a lesson." Ex-MLA, P Rajeev, said the government's decision had caused widespread anxiety among the 18–20 lakh Banjaras living in over 3,300 tandas across the state. "This is a historic moment. We will not rest until justice is done," he asserted. Retired Justice Subhash Rathod criticised the Congress government's move, saying, "Instead of allotting reservation based on population, the government has done injustice with a patchwork approach. The Banjara community deserves at least 6% reservation."

VISVESVARAYA JALA NIGAMA NIYAMITHA
(A Government of Karnataka Enterprise)
Executive Engineer Office, VJNL, Upper Bhadra Project.
Div no.7 , Hiriyur camp:Chitradurga
Email ID:ubpeediv07@gmail.com Ph no:08194–200187

No.EE/VJNL/UBP/Div.No.07/Hyr/Camp:CTA/2025-26/07
Dated:18.10.2025

TENDER NOTIFICATION (Through KPPP only)

On behalf of Managing Director, Visvesvaraya Jala Nigam Limited, Bangalore, Executive Engineer, VJNL,UBP, Division No.7 Hiriyur, camp;Chitradurga invites the tenders under 4701 UBP Grants. "Percentage rate"tenders are invited in Two cover system by the undersigned, from eligible contractors Indent No./ Amount put to tender VJNL/2025-26/BD/WORK_INDENT433 Rs. 274.53 Lakhs ,Pre Bid meeting date: 29.10.2025@ 11.00 am at the Office of Chief Engineer, VJNL, Upper Bhadra Project zone Chitradurga, The last date & time for submission of tender document 17.11.2025 @ 5.00 PM, Date & time of Opening of Technical Bid 18.11.2025 @ 5.30 PM at the Office of Executive Engineer, VJNL,UBP, Division No.7 Hiriyur, camp;Chitradurga Details and tender document may be downloaded through website https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in Tender accepting authority reserves all rights to cancel the tender at any stage.

DIPR/CTA/KSMCA/433/2025-26

Sd/- Executive Engineer, VJNL, UBP, Division No.07 Hiriyur, Camp: Chitradurga

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are hereby informed that my client **SMT.SWAPNA.M** W/o Venkat Prasad Wadakuppu, aged about 35 years, [Aadhaar No.6074 9558 5005, PAN No.BWWPS6022H] residing at: No. 301, Moksha heights, 3rd floor, 1st Main, 4th Cross, Balaji Layout, Bangalore-560094, intends to purchase schedule property from **SRI.SUBRAMANYA** S/o Late.Anjinappa, Aged about 55 years, [Aadhaar No.9935 2061 9257, PAN No.CXAPS6671N], **SMT.VANITHA.V** W/o Subramanya, Aged about 48 years, [Aadhaar No.8059 7371 2386, PAN NO.AYZPV4407B], **RANJAN.J.S** S/o Subramanya, Aged about 27 years, [Aadhaar No.9046 7881 4485, PAN No.DQIPR3998M], and **DARSHAN.J.S** S/o Subramanya, Aged about 23 years, [Aadhaar No.8081 6481 3122, PAN No.HXKPD4525H], (Represented by his GPA holder Smt.Vanitha.V) all are residing at Jalige village, kundana Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore rural District, any person/persons having any objections or claiming any right, title or interest in the said property are required to lodge the same with undersigned along with documentary evidence within **14 days** from this date, failing which my client shall proceed with the transaction free from all encumbrances.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of Agricultural Land bearing Sy.No.45/5 measuring 12 Guntas (0.12.00.00) situated at Doddatumakur Village, Madure Hobli, Doddaballapura Taluk, Bangalore Rural, and bounded on: East by: Anjinappa's Land, West by: Shivakumar land, North by: Appayanna land, South by : Muniraju land.

G.R.SRINIVASA, Advocate
No.728, 41st Cross, E.S.I Hospital Main Road, 3rd Block Rajajinagara, Bangalore-560010. Date:18-10-2025

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client Sri. Yashwanth Shivaprakash, aged about 38 years, S/o. N. Shivaprakash, residing at No. 12, Mohit Manor, 1st Main, Dollars Colony, JP Nagar 4th Phase, Bangalore-560 078 has revoked registered Power of Attorney dated 16/06/2025 given by him in favour of Sri. P. Sukhanand Shetty, Aged about 52 years, S/o. Sri. P.N. Shetty, residing at No.326, 10th Cross, 4th Main, Vijaya Bank Layout, Bannerghatta Road, Bangalore-560 076 which is registered as Document No.BK IV-BNG-BMH-4-00213/2025-26 with respect to property described in the schedule to this public notice vide revocation notice dated 22/09/2025. Anyone dealing with Sri. P. Sukanand Shetty as Power of attorney holder of my client would do so at their risk and any transaction so done would not bind my client.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the land in Sy.No. 119 measuring 5 Acres 7 Guntas, situated Kaniminike Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk and bounded on:- East by: By Road, West by: Government Halla and Gowdaiah's land, North by : Bommarayappa's children's land, South by : Narasimaiah's land.

H.S. DWARAKANATH, Advocate
No. 24, IV Model House Street, Basavanagudi, Bangalore-560 004.

PUBLIC NOTICE

OF LOST DOCUMENT

I, **Reji Mani Thomas,** S/o V M Thomas, Aged about 77 years, R/a C-602, Ocean Monarda, Sy No.15/3A and 13/3B, Kasavanahalli, Bangalore - 560035, have **lost the original Sale Deed dated:14/02/2000**, Registered as Document No:BKI-1-8017-2000-01, which was registered at the office of the Sub Registrar, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore in respect of the below mentioned Schedule 'D' property and the same has been lost on 15/10/2025 at my residence. I have lodged a Police Complaint for lost article on 16/10/2025 under acknowledgment issued by the Bengaluru City Police, bearing SL No. 1855220, Lost Report No. 1855220/2025.

If any person/s found the said sale deed, please come forward with in a period of 7 days from the date of publication of this notice and hand over the same to the under signed. If anyone has already carried out any transaction or any transaction is in the process of being carried out using the missing document, kindly inform the undersigned party in writing at the below mentioned address within 07 days from this paper publication.

SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing House List No. 225, Srinivagalu Village, assessed under the Jakkasandra Group Panchayat, Khata No. 75, Srinivagalu assessed under the Madivala Notified Area Committee, now known as and bearing Corporation No. 9, situated in Drafadila Layout, Srinivagalu Village in Corporation Ward No. 68, Bangalore, totally measuring 43,030 sft. and bounded by:

On the East : Private Property measuring 363'3", **On the West** : Private Property measuring 360'6", **On the North** : Private Property and Schedule 'B' Property measuring 128'8", **On the South** : Road measuring 128'8".

SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing No. 13, situated in Drafadila Layout, Srinivagalu Village, Corporation Ward No. 68, Bangalore, admeasuring East to West 24' and North to South 60' (totally measuring 1,440 sft) and bounded by:

On the East : Private Property, **On the West** : Private Property, **On the North** : Private Property, **On the South** : Schedule 'A' Property.

The total extent of Schedule 'A' and Schedule 'B' Properties is 44,470 sft.

SCHEDULE 'C' PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the proposed composite multi storied building comprising of Residential Apartments on the Schedule 'A' and Schedule 'B' Properties constituting the basement, ground and four upper floors along with the terrace together with all infrastructure and services.

SCHEDULE 'D' PROPERTY

134.36/44470 undivided share, right, title and interest in Schedule 'A' and Schedule 'B' Properties.

Reji Mani Thomas,
R/a C-602, Ocean Monarda,
Sy No.15/3A and 13/3B, Kasavanahalli,
Bangalore-560035.

CAUVERY NEERAVARI NIGAMA LIMITED
(A Government of Karnataka Enterprises)
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,
No.2, K.C. DIVISION, KOLLEGAL-571 440,
CHAMARAJANAGAR DISTRICT, PHONE: 08224-252287

Short Term Tender Notification
No. 13/2025-26 Dated: 17-10-2025
(THROUGH KPP-ORTAL ONLY)

On the behalf of the Managing Director, CNNL, Bangalore, the Executive Engineer, CNNL, NO.2, KC Division, Kollegal, the under signed invites KW-4 tender for the work of **"Improvements To Feeder Canals And Its Allied Structures And Comprehensive Development Of Series Of Tanks Under Gundal River"** from Registered in Eligible class of contractors for the Amount put to Tender: **Rs. 4210.51** lakhs; EMD: Rs. **42.50** lakhs; Tender Processing Fee: As per KPP-Portal. The contractor have to submit his tender through online KPP-Portal only. More information can be had from web site: https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in. Last date of any queries: **23-10-2025** up to at **4.00 PM,** Last date for receipt of completed tender and EMD: **24-10-2025** up to at **5.30 PM.** Date of opening of Technical Bid: **27-10-2025** at **10.30 AM** Date of opening of Financial Bid: After approval of Technical Bid. Any other details required can be obtained from office of the under signed during office hours.

Sd/-
Exentive Engineer
CNNL No. 2, KCD. Kollegal

NO: DIPR: CHANAGAR: 430:2025-26

Town Municipal Council Madhugiri
Tumkur District.
Office Ph:Number: 08137-282328, 283866 Fax: 08137-282949
E-Mail: ka.madhugiri.tmc@gmail.com Web site: www.madhugiritown.town.gov.in

For Tender Details KPPP Portal Website (https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in)
No: TMC/JE/Tender/CR/03/2025-26 Date: 17/10/2025

TENDER NOTIFICATION

As per KTTP Act 1999-2000 Rule 2000, Chief Officer, Town Municipal Council Madhugiri was invited Tender for Works under AMRUT 2.0 Grants from eligible tenderer can participate Tender for the following works in KPPP Portal website **(https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in) Note: For more Information contact office during working hours.**

KPPP Portal		
Sl. no	WORK INDENT	Tender cost (Rs. Lakhs)
1.	DMA/2025-26/OW/WORK-INDENT49862/Call2	71.43
2	DMA/2025-26/OW/WORK-INDENT49842/Call2	48.42

Last Date of Receipt of Tender : 03/11/2025
Date for Opening Technical Bid : 04/11/2025
Date for Opening Financial Bid : 05/11/2025

Sd/-	Sd/-	Sd/-
Sri. Manjunatha G A	**Smt. Sujatha G.R**	**Sri. Suresh S**
President	Vise-president	Chief Officer
TMC, Madhugiri	TMC, Madhugiri	TMC, Madhugiri

DIPR/TUM/RO-143/25-26/Oysters

SYMBOLIC POSSESSION NOTICE

ICICI Bank Branch Office: ICICI Bank Ltd. 4/10, Mythree Tower, Bommanhalli Hosur Main Road Bangalore- 560068

The Authorised ICICI Bank Officer under the Securitisation, Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued Demand Notices to the borrower(s) mentioned below, to repay the amount mentioned in the Notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said Notice.
Having failed to repay the amount, the Notice is issued to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of the property described below, by exercising powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the below-mentioned dates. The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property. Any dealings with the property will be subject to charges of ICICI Bank Limited.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower(s)/ Loan Account Number	Description of Property/ Date of Symbolic Possession	Date of Demand Notice/ Amount in Demand Notice (Rs)	Name of Branch
1.	Venkatarayappa Narayana Reddy/ Nalina/ LBBNG00001164015	(As described in the Loan document/property document covering All the piece and parcel of the BBMP Ward No 2 , Muthyanagar Layout , Beside Railway Track, 8th Main Road, Site No-46, New Corporation No-21:1 Measuring East-west 40-0 Ft, North-south 30-0 Ft And Bounded By: North:site No 45 South: Site No 47 East:site No 30 West: Road/ Date of Symbolic Possession on-14/10/2025.	10.06.2025/ Rs. 38,94,602.78/-	Bangalore
2.	K M Rangaswamy/ Sujatha/ LBMYS00006637100 TBMYS00006570882 TBMYS00006570881	(As described in the Loan document/property document covering All That Piece And Parcel Of The Property Bearing House No.25 Mig In K.h.b. Colony Holenarasipura Town, Housing Board Layout, Holenarasipura Extension Hassan Dist, Municipal Khatha No. 6793, Measuring East To West 40 Feet 12.00 Mtrs And North To South 60 Feet 18.00 Mtrs And On This Site There Is A 20x20 Feet R.c.c Made Of Forest Trees Total Area Measuring 40x60 Feet And Bounded By: Bounded By : North: Road South: House No-63, 64 & 65, Lig East: House No-24, Mighs West: House No-26, Mighs/ Date of Symbolic Possession On-14/10/2025.	06.05.2025/ Rs. 88,39,514.99/-	Mysore
3.	Bhuma Lakshmi/ Bhuma Jagannath/ LBBNG00006978706 TBBNG00006961321	(As described in the Loan document / property document covering All that piece and parcel of Property bearing Site No.23 (Twenty Three), Old Katha No.53, Formed In Assessment Nos.41/2 And 42/2, Situated At Thammenahalli Village, Dasanapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore, Presently Assigned As Property No.41/2/42/2 /53, P.I.D. No. 150200200500520351 And Site Measuring East To West :: 55-0 (fifty Five) Feet And North To South:: 30-0 (thirty) Feet, In All Measuring 1650 Square Feet or 153.288 Square Meters, And Bounded On : Bounded By : North:site No.22, South: Site No.24. East:road, West: Private Property,/ Date of Symbolic Possession on-14/10/2025.	24.06.2025/ Rs. 69,36,982.00/-	Bangalore

The above-mentioned borrowers(s)/guarantors(s) is/are hereby issued a 30 day Notice to repay the amount, else the mortgaged properties will be sold after 30 days from the date of publishing this Notice, as per the provisions under Rules 8 and 9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.
Date: October 18, 2025
Place: Bangalore & Hassan

Sincerely Authorised Officer
For ICICI Bank Ltd.

The Grain Merchants' Co-Operative Bank Ltd.,
H.O, No.2, Pampamahakavi Road, Chamarajpet,Bengaluru-18
Ph: 080-26679041, 26677552, 26672928

DEMAND NOTICE

NOTICE ISSUED UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF THE SECURITIZATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT 2002.

We, The Grain Merchants' Co-Operative Bank Ltd., has issued Demand Notice under Section 13(2) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Security Interest Act 2002 by Registered Post with Acknowledgment Due (RPAD) to the addresses furnished to the Bank as mentioned below. Since the notice has not been acknowledged and returned due to non-availability of addresses at the said addresses/ due to evading of service of the notices sent by RPAD, notice coud not be served. Further Bank had served the said demand notices by affixture at the addresses given. The contents of the said notices are mentioned herein below:

Name and Address of the Borrower/Gaurantor/Mortgagor: Smt G.Prabhavathi, W/o Sri M.P.Nagaraj and Surety: Sri M.P.Nagaraj S/o Sri Papaiah, both are r/a No.50/2, 1st Main, 2nd Cross, 3rd Block, Ayappanagar, Near Ganesha Temple, Devasandra, K.R.Puram, Bangalore-560 036.

Loan A/c No.:1004-50-509-0000477 Loan Amount: Rs.15.00 lakhs
Amount Outstanding: Rs.9,89,802/- (Rupees Nine Lakhs Eighty Nine Thousand Eight Hundred and Two Only) together with further interest theron with effect from 14.10.2025 at the contractual rates together with costs, charges other monies until payment or realization.

NPA dt: 07.06.2025 Demand Notice dt: 14.10.2025

Description of the Immovable Property:

All that piece and parcel of the southern portion of Site bearing No.36, Khatha No.50/2/36, converted survey No.50/2, vide conversion order No.B.DIS.ALN.SR(S) 113/88-89, dated:22.08.1992, issued by the Deputy Commissioner Bangalore District, Situated at Hoodi, K.R.Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk now comes under the limits of the BBMP ward No.54, measuring East To West: 30 ft and North To South : 35 ft totally measuring 1050 sq.ft and bounded on East By: Site No.35 West By: Site No.37 North By: Remaining Portion of same site No.36 South By: 30ft wide Road.

You are hereby called upon to pay **The Grain Merchants' Co-Operative Bank Ltd.,** within a period of 60 days from the date of publication of this notice, the respective amount mentioned here above, failing which **The Grain Merchants' Co-Operative Bank Ltd.,** will take necessary action under the provisions of the said Act, against the secured assets including taking possession of the secured assets of the Borrower and the Guarantors. The powers available to **The Grain Merchants' Co-Operative Bank Ltd.,** under the Act include (i) power to take possession of the secured assets of the Borrower/ Guarantors/Mortgager including the rights to transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale for realising secured assets and any transfer of secured assets by **The Grain Merchants' Co-Operative Bank Ltd.,** shall vest in the transferee rights in or in relation to, the secured assets transferred as if the transfer has been made by you. In terms of the provisions of section 13(13) of the said Act, you are hereby prohibited from transferring, either by way of sale, lease or otherwise (other than in the ordinary course of your business), any of the secured assets as referred to in the Demand Notice affixed and also Hypothecated/Mortgaged to the bank without prior written consent of the Bank.

The notice is issued in terms of Section 13(2) of the said Act.

Place: Bangalore
Date: 14.10.2025

Sd/- Authorised Officer,
The Grain Merchants' Co Operative Bank Ltd.,

IN THE COURT OF THE XXXI ADDL. CITY CIVIL & SESSIONS JUDGE AT BENGALURU [CCH-14]
P & SC No. 529/2025

BETWEEN: 1. Smt. N. Sharda, W/o Late P. Nagaraj, aged about 80 years, Residing at No. 17A, 8th Main, 4th Block, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru-560010. **2. Smt. Rakshitha V. A.,** D/o Late Aswathanarayana N., W/o Vyshak Srivatsa Raghavendra, aged about 30 years, Residing at No. 612, 2nd Main, 11th Block, Nagarabhavi 2nd Stage, Papareddy Palya, Bengaluru-560072. **3. Smt. Iteesha Vishalakshi Aswath,** D/o Late Aswathanarayana N., aged about 26 years, Residing at No. 17/A, Ground Floor, 8th Main Road, 4th Block, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru-560010. ... **PETITIONERS**

AND: NIL ... RESPONDENTS

PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas the above-named Petitioners have made a petition to this Hon'ble Court under Section 372 read with Section 376 of the Indian Succession Act, 1925, seeking for grant of a Succession Certificate in respect of the movable properties, deposits, and investments left behind by Late Sri Aswathanarayana N, who died intestate on 22.04.2025 at Bengaluru.

The Petitioner No.1-Smt. N. Sharda the mother of the deceased and the petitioner no. 2-Smt. Rakshitha V. A.& the petitioner No. 3-Smt. Iteesha Vishalakshi Aswath, are the daughters of the deceased and the petitioners have stated that the deceased had held various insurance policies, fixed deposits, savings bonds, and investments with Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC), Canara Bank, HDFC Bank, and Bajaj Allianz Life Insurance Company Ltd., more fully described in the schedule mentioned below, and that they are the only surviving Class-I legal heirs entitled to succeed to the said estate.

Interested parties, if any, are hereby called upon to appear before this Hon'ble Court in person or through a duly instructed pleader on **02/12/2025** at **11:00 A.M.,** and to show cause, if any, as to why the said Succession Certificate should not be granted in favour of the Petitioners; failing which, the matter will be heard and disposed of ex parte.

SCHEDULE

List of Investments/Deposits left behind by Late Sri Aswathanarayana N

Sl. No.	Description of the Investment/ Deposit	Issuing Authority & Branch / Office	Investment / Policy Amount / Bond No.	Amount
1.	Pradhana Mantri Vaya Vandhana Life Insurance Policy - Endowment with profits	LIC of India, Indiranagar Branch (61F), Bengaluru	619589781	15,00,000/-
2.	Life Insurance Policy - Money Back Plan	LIC of India, Indiranagar Branch (61F), Bengaluru	619589780	5,00,000/-
3.	Life Insurance Policy - Term Assurance	LIC of India, K.R. Puram Branch (CB-25), Bengaluru	666614595	6,90,000/-
4.	Senior Citizen Savings Deposit Scheme Receipt	Canara Bank - Rajajinagar III Block Branch, Bengaluru	SCSS01CM13	15,00,000/-
5.	Savings Bond	HDFC Bank Ltd, Chennai (RBI-GOI Bonds Unit)	TBH51060288586	5,00,000/-
6.	Insurance Policy - Longlife Goal	Bajaj Allianz Life Insurance Company Ltd	0402671063	3,00,000/-

Given under my hand and the seal of the court on this 17/10/2025
By order of the Court, Senior Sheristedar, City Civil Court, Bengaluru

D. MANJUNATH, Advocate
No. 15/18, 1st Floor, 4th Main, 12th 'A' Cross, S.R. Nagar, Bengaluru-560027. Mobile: 9448089575

The National Medical Commission has approved 106 new PG seats for the Government Medical Colleges in Andhra Pradesh. The PG medical seats have been increased in Gynaecology, General Medicine and other specialities (Broad Speciality Courses)

E-asset cert to 95 lakh properties soon: Kharge

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

RURAL Development and Panchayat Raj and Information and Biotechnology Minister **Priyank Kharge** here on Saturday said that permission has been given to issue e-asset certificates against 95,75,935 properties by amending the Karnataka Gram Swaraj and Panchayat Raj Act, 1993, as No Objection (NOC) licence, taxes, fees and rates within the Gram Panchayat have been fixed.

According to the rules, technical changes will be made in the software within a fortnight and facilities will be provided to the rural people as the tax accounting process has been simplified, and the time limit for issuing the e-asset form has been reduced from 45 days to 15 days, he said.

He said that if the authorities do not give approval within the specified period, automatic approval is allowed. The initiative is stemmed from the announcement in the State Budget 2025-26, that "E-Swattu Abhiyan will be started to distribute certificates to the properties with all necessary documents," for the purpose of strengthening the Panchayat Raj system. The e-Swathu Abhiyan will be carried out in Gram Panchayats and the draft copies of all properties of the Gram Panchayat will be provided to the public through software to correct the information of their properties, he said. Any person aggrieved by the determination, collection or imposition of taxes, rates or charges is allowed to file an appeal first to the Deputy Secretary (Development). Opportunity will be given to submit a second appeal to the Chief Executive Officers of the Zilla Panchayats, he clarified.

Water gushes down the Courtallam Main Falls in Tenkasi after continuous rain. Bathing has been temporarily banned| V.KARTHIKALAGU

NE monsoon fury claims farmer's life in Tamil Nadu

Fishermen told not to venture out into sea

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Chennai

THE northeast monsoon remained vigorous over Tamil Nadu on Saturday, triggering widespread rainfall across most districts, including Puducherry and Karaikal. A 55-year-old farmer was washed away in a flash flood near Rajapalayam in Virudhunagar district. The victim, identified as R Ramachandran, was swept away while trying to cross the swollen Palaru stream on a two-wheeler. His body was recovered on Saturday afternoon after an extensive search.

As many as 40 locations recorded heavy rainfall, while five stations reported very heavy rain, according to the Regional Meteorological Centre (RMC), Chennai. The widespread rain was caused by a well-marked low-pressure area over the southeast Arabian Sea and the Lakshadweep region, formed under the influence of an upper air cyclonic circulation. The system is likely to intensify into a depression within 36 hours and move west-northwest, sustaining the current wet spell.

Another cyclonic circulation over the South Andaman Sea is expected to give rise to a fresh low-pressure area over the southeast Bay of Bengal around October 21, potentially bringing another spell of heavy rain over southern India next week.

For the next 24 hours, the RMC has forecast light to moderate rain with thunderstorms across Tamil Nadu. Isolated heavy rainfall is likely over the Nilgiris and Coimbatore ghats, while districts including Madurai, Tiruchirappalli, Pudukkottai, Ramanathapuram, and Chennai are expected to receive significant rain. In Chennai, the sky will remain cloudy with intermittent spells of rain and thunder. Daytime temperatures will hover around 26°C–27°C, about four degrees below normal. Rajapalayam in Virudhunagar district recorded the state's highest rainfall at 18 cm in 24 hours. Fishermen have been advised not to venture into the Gulf of Mannar, the south Tamil Nadu coast, and the adjoining southeast Arabian Sea for the next 48 hours due to rough sea conditions.

SABARIMALA ROW

HC slams TDB for not keeping proper accounts

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Kochi

CRITICISING the Travancore Devaswom Board (TDB) over financial mismanagement, the Kerala High Court has observed that the board's failure to maintain proper, verifiable and contemporaneous accounts amounts to a fundamental lapse in management. The court ordered immediate digitisation of the board's accounts based on a case pertaining to the devaswom audit report. "The divine assets of the temples cannot be left vulnerable to outdated ledgers and missing records," observed the court.

It also noted that even audits more than a decade old remain pending, primarily on account of missing vouchers, incomplete records, and obsolete accounting systems still being followed across the devaswom institutions. The continued reliance on manual registers and paper vouchers has made the accounting system vulnerable to manipulation, falsification, and defalcation.

Depending on archaic manual record-keeping, absence of digitised accounting systems and failure to conduct timely audits reveal a pattern of gross administrative indifference. Such neglect has rendered the board a passive enabler, and in effect, an active participant in financial indiscipline, it said.

The court said it is imperative that the board immediately shift to a fully digitised, end-to-end accounting framework. All receipts, bills and vouchers must be entered in real time into a centralised financial management system accessible to both audit and supervisory authorities. Digital registers, online reconciliation of bank transactions, and automated alerts for discrepancies should form part of this structure. he court emphasised that such reforms are essential to restore transparency, ensure accountability, and enable audits to be conducted seamlessly and within the time limits prescribed by law. An immediate systemic overhaul and a culture strict financial accountability must be established within the administrative machinery of the devaswom boards.

The HC also directed the director of Kerala State Audit Department, Thiruvananthapuram, to appear before the court on October 30.

SAFETY FIRST

Traffic patrol marshals in front of Vidhana Soudha on Saturday. Karnataka Home Minister G Parameshwara flagged off 50 traffic patrol two-wheelers donated by Honda India Foundation to the city traffic police. He said Bengaluru's traffic management system is much better compared to other major cities such as Mumbai, Kolkata and Delhi | VINOD KUMAR T

TET to recruit 13K teachers in K'taka on Dec 7

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

PRIMARY and Secondary Education Minister Madhu Bangarappa on Friday announced that the Teacher Eligibility Test (TET) will be held on December 7, 2025, to address the shortage of teachers in government schools.

Applications for the TET will open on October 23 and close on November 9. "We are aiming to recruit 13,500 teachers across the state, and the process will be completed by the end of this year," Bangarappa said. He added that steps will also be taken to fill the remaining teaching posts in the Kalyan Karnataka region through the Common Entrance Test (CET) soon. According to the minister, the results of the TET will be declared on December 31, 2025.

Dubai-M'luru flight first receives bomb threat, bad weather diverts it to B'luru

S LALITHA @New Delhi

THE journey for 169 passengers on board an IndiGo flight from Dubai to Mangaluru was jinxed right from the start on Saturday. First, a bomb threat was received inside the flight before the start of the journey at the Dubai International Airport. It was followed by bad weather in Mangaluru and then diversion to the Bengaluru airport. After another intensive check over the same bomb threat received earlier, flyers were stranded at the Kempegowda International Airport late at night, nearly four hours after it reached there.

Flight No. 6E 1468, an Airbus A320 flight, had a scheduled departure of 11.25 am (UAE time) from Dubai. KIA sources said, "A tissue paper with the words 'Bomb on board' was found inside the toilet of the aircraft before its takeoff. Extensive checks had to be undertaken at the Dubai airport before the threat was declared a hoax. The flight then took off after a delay of two hours and 28 minutes."

The Bengaluru airport police confirmed this development.

The flight had approached Mangaluru airport by 6.42 pm when it was not given permission to land due to bad weather. "The pilots were asked to divert the flight to KIA," a source said.

A KIA source said, "On way to Bengaluru, the pilot reported to the Air Traffic Control (ATC) about the paper note in the toilet specifying a bomb threat. Just to be extra cautious, a temporary emergency was declared at the airport near the runway to allow the flight to have priority landing. It landed in Bengaluru at 7.23 pm and was immediately taken to an isolation bay."

The Bomb Threat Assessment Committee had an urgent meeting and declared it to be a non-specific threat (not life threatening). "The emergency which was in place at the runway for a short period was lifted after the aircraft was isolated," he added.

The passengers were deboarded and intensive checks conducted by the Central Industrial Security Force. "It was reconfirmed as a hoax."

An airline source said, "A security threat was noticed on board flight 6E 1468 from Dubai to Mangaluru. It was diverted to Bengaluru. We have followed all the necessary security protocols."

He added, "All the passengers were given refreshments. They were provided the choice to take the full refund, take a different flight or wait for the flight to depart and reach its original destination which is Mangaluru. The flight is still in Bengaluru (10.40 pm) and will shortly depart to its destination."

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>
> IndiGo source

Neglect parents, get a pay cut: TG CM to govt staff

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Hyderabad

CHIEF Minister A Revanth Reddy on Saturday said the state government would bring in legislation to deduct 10–15% of the salaries of government employees who neglect their parents. The deducted amount would be credited directly into the parents' accounts, he said.

He directed Chief Secretary K Ramakrishna Rao to form a committee to prepare the draft note. Urging the youth to care for their parents, he said, "You have become officersbecause of your parents' hard work and sacrifices. Never forget your background or where you came from."

Kanchi mutt seers felicitate 12 scholars

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Chennai

KANCHI mutt Shankaracharyas Shankara Vijayendra Saraswathi Swamigal and Satya Chandrashekharendra Saraswathi Swamigal blessed 12 distinguished Shastric scholars who successfully completed the Tenali Shastra Pariksha, a rigorous six-year curriculum covering 16 examinations under the traditional Gurukula system.

The scholars, who studied under various eminent gurus across India, were honoured with shawls, certificates, and an honorarium in recognition of their academic excellence and dedication to preserving the traditional Shastric heritage.

Addressing the gathering in Sanskrit, Shankara Vijayendra Saraswathi Swamigal praised the efforts of the scholars and their teachers in advancing the cause of Shastric education while maintaining its pristine traditional form. He emphasized the importance of applying Shastric knowledge for societal welfare and Dharma pracharam (propagation of righteousness).

The pontiff further encouraged the assimilation of key ideas from other philosophical schools of thought to demonstrate the eternal relevance of Bharatiya Jnana Parampara (Indian knowledge traditions). He urged the Tenali Sabha to facilitate more opportunities for traditional scholars by helping them appear for competitive examinations for teaching positions in universities and academic institutions, ensuring their knowledge reaches a broader student base.

Underscoring that the study of Shastras plays a transformative role in shaping manovrutti (refined mental attitude), he called upon the scholar community to engage in publishing critical editions of unpublished manuscripts preserved in libraries such as Baroda, Kanchi, Mysore, and Thanjavur.

The Tenali Shastra Pariksha, known for its comprehensive syllabus and detailed examination framework, continues to attract dedicated students committed to mastering traditional knowledge systems. The event was attended by Kanchi University Chancellor Kutumba Sastry, G Srinivasu, Vice Chancellor Kanchi University, GSR Krishnamurthy, Vice Chancellor, National Sanskrit University, Tirupati, Rani Sadashivamurthy, Vice Chancellor, Sri Venkateshwara Vedic University and several scholars in Tirupati. Ramlal Sharma conducted the proceedings.

8-month pregnant woman murdered over perceived 'honour' in Telangana

Adilabad: A 20-year-old woman, eight months pregnant, was hacked to death by her father-in-law in Asifabad district on Friday, in what police described as a suspected case of honour killing. The victim, Thalandi Shravani alias Rani, had married Shivarla Shekhar, a driver, in October 2024. The marriage, an inter-caste union between a Pardhan (ST) woman and a Besta (BC) man, had taken place against the wishes of Shekhar's family. On Friday, when no one else was at home, Shekhar's father, allegedly attacked her with an axe.

EXPRESS READ

RUAS hosts national tech fest

Bengaluru: M S Ramaiah University of Applied Sciences (RUAS) inaugurated its first national-level tech fest, Pravrutti 2025, at its technology campus in Peenya on Wednesday. The three-day event, being held from October 15 to 17, has drawn 1,932 participants from over 75 institutions across five states, with 704 registrations for 26 technical and medical events. The inaugural ceremony was held at the RTC Ground. Binod Hampapur, Chairman, Board of Governors, Rangadore Memorial Hospital, was Guest of Honour, and Devaraj, Joint Director, Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME), Government of India, the Chief Guest. RUAS officials, including Registrar S Ashok Rao and Provost Ranganath R V, were also present. The events were designed for students pursuing undergraduate, postgraduate and doctoral programmes across science, technology and medical disciplines.

Employees Provident Fund Organisation-Karnataka emerged as basketball champions in the South Zone Basketball and Volleyball Tournament-2025 in Vishakapatnam on October 15 and 16. The winning team members are: (front row) Anantha Padmanabhan, Gangadhar, Ravikumar, Jaya Shankar M and Sanjay Singh. (second row) Surendra, Mahan Singh, Sachin, Srinath and Monu Dhanda.

BIS celebrates World Standards Day

Bengaluru: Union Minister of State for MSME and Labour & Employment Shobha Karandlaje said strong infrastructure is essential for accelerating industrial growth and safeguarding consumer interests. She was speaking at a World Standards Day programme organised by the Bureau of Indian Standards at the Indian Institute of Science (IISc) on Thursday. She was joined by Bengaluru Rural MP Dr C N Manjunath as Guest of Honour. Held on the theme -- Shared Vision for a Better World – Spotlight on SDG 17: Partnerships for the Goals -- the event emphasised the importance of collaboration in advancing quality and standardisation. Manjunath highlighted the need for implementing standards across healthcare, research, and manufacturing. BIS Bengaluru Director and Head Sushma Rao Mantradi, Deputy Director General of Southern Region Meenakshi Ganesan and other senior officials were present.

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Our client intends to purchase residentially converted land bearing **Sy.No.2**, VP Katha No.1793/2, PID No.150200400200820698, measuring **2 Acres 16 Guntas,** converted vide Official Memorandum dated 2/2/2022 bearing No.292361, situated at **Chikkagubbi Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore** and bounded on the :

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West by : Sy.No.1 and 90;
North by : Sy.No.5;
South by : Sy.No.3 and 12;

from its owner **Mr.Chennakeshavaiah son of Late Doddamunithayappa** Persons having any right over the said property may lodge their objections/claims with documentary evidence within **15 days** from the date of this publication, to the undersigned.

Prashanth Vijayalakshmi & Associates, Advocates,
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Email : prashanthviji.adv@gmail.com

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given on behalf of my clients **Mr. K. Lingaraju** and Brothers, Legal heirs of late Sri. K. Manju, that unauthorized selling and construction being carried by M/s. SLV PROPERTIES at property No.3/1 carved out of land Sy.No. 1/2 & 3/1, Khatha No. 273, 1/2, 3/1 measuring 9525 Sq.ft with in BBMP limits, Subranyapura, Bangalore-5600 61 (12o54'02.6"N77o32'50.9"E)(SLV GRANDENIA) Case No.OS 5701/2023 in City Civil Court, & Arbitration Case No. 122/2025 in Arbitration Centre, are pending. Anybody dealing with the said property in any manner whatsoever, will be doing so at their own Risk, Cost and consequences, as no floor sharing agreement is made, registered between the owners legal heirs and builders. Any transaction, will be illegal, invalid, Null and Void, liable for eviction, cancellation of sale deed/Gift deed/lease deed, or any deed whatsoever. My clients will not be held responsible for any losses, damages, legal consequences for such transactions, as they have violated JD agreement dated 03.05.2021.

By G. Sridhar,
Advocate for Legal heirs,
No. 59 South End Road, Basavanagudi, Bangalore -5600 04 Ph. 9343756514
Date. 18/10/2025.

Office of the Commissioner
Ballari City Corporation, Ballari.
Gadigi Chennappa Circle(Royal Circle) Ballari-583101
Landline No : 08392-273479 /278168
Website : www.ballaricity.mrc.gov.in
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No:CCB/ENG/T.P/2025-26 Date:18.10.2025

INVITATION FOR TENDER NOTIFICATION (Through KPP portal Only)

Tenders Are Inivited Under 2025-26 Municipal General Fund in Ballari City Corporation Limits Through KPP Portal, http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in As Per KW-4 Standared Document Registered / Renewed/ In The PWD Department From The Eligible Contractors For The Following Works 1)DMA/2025-26/SE/Work_Indent 6313, 2)DMA/2025-26 /SE/ Work_Indent 6315, 3) DMA/2025-26 /SE/ Work_Indent 6324, Last Date Of Submission Of Tender On 03.11.2025 At 17.30 Hours, Opening Of Technical Bid On 05.11.2025 At 10.30 Hours, Technically Qualified Bidders Financial Bid Opened On 07.11.2025 At 11.00 Hours. Transaction Fee & EMD Should Be Remitted In KPP Portal, http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in. For Further Details Contact This Office During Working Days.

Sd/- Commissioner, Ballari City Corporation. Ballari.
DIPR/Ballari/534/KSMCA/2025-26

KARNATAKA NEERAVARI NIGAM LIMITED
(Government of Karnataka Enterprises)
Office of the Executive Engineer, KNNL, No.4 BRLBC Division, Bhadravathi.

No:EE/KNNL/BDN-4/BDVT/TA/PB-1/TFS/ Tender Notification No:12/ 2025-26: Dated: 14.10.2025

Tender Notification (Through E-Procurement Portal only)

Percentage Tenders by KPP portal in the prescribed form is invited by the undersigned on behalf of Managing Director, KNNL, Bangalore from the eligible Contractor under the Head of Account TFS. The No. of work is 01. The approximate cost of amount put to tender is **Rs.523.46 Lakhs.** The amount of EMD is **Rs.7.86 Lakhs** (by kpp portal) contractors can access and submission of completed e-tendering documents from **18.10.2025 to 17.11.2025 upto 17.30 hours** in the website **http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.** Technical Bid will be opened on **18.11.2025 at 17.30 hours** and Financial Bid will be opened on after obtaining approval of technical bid from competent authority. Pre-Bid Meeting on Dtd:**10.11.2025 @ 11.00 Hrs** at O/o Executive Engineer, No.4 BRLBC Division, Bhadravathi. Stipulated period for the completion of work is 12 Months (Including monsoon).For more conditions and details visit website **http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.** OR at undersigned in all working days during office hours on telephone No. 8660573513.

Sd/-
Executive Engineer. KNNL, No.4, BRLBC Division, Bhadravathi.

DIPR/SMG/No-91-10/ zenkar/2025-26

Mysore District Co-Operative Milk Producers' Societies Union Ltd.,
Mega Dairy, Bannur Road, Alanahalli Post, Mysuru-570028.
Phone No: 0821-2474475, Mail Id: purmymul@gmail.com

IFT No: KMF/2025-26/SE4038 Date: 18.10.2025

Tender Notification (Through e-procurement only)

Mysore Dist. Co-Op Ltd Milk Union Ltd., Mysore Invites tender for Co-packing of variant of Milk and Curd in sachet in any pack size at Chennai.(Co-packing charge is inclusive of processing, pasteurizing, standardizing, Clarifying, Homogenization, Packing, Refrigeration and dispatch) through e-procurement portal. For the tender document please visit e-procurement platform at **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in .** Last date for uploading of document **15.11.25 till 05.00 PM.**
For further information please contact Purchase Department during working hours. (Mobile No: 6366430821, 9482231739).

Sd/-
MANAGING DIRECTOR

UJVN LIMITED
H.O.: "UJJWAL", Maharani Bagh, G.M.S. Road, Dehradun-248006
Telephones: 0135-2763808, Fax: 0135-2763508
CIN No.U40101UR2001SGC025866, Website:www.ujvnl.com

Letter No: 814 Date: 18/10/2025

E- Tender Date Extension Notice No-02

Due to technical reasons the date of availability of bid document of e-tender no **06/UJVNL/EE(I&P-II)/2025-26 for "Drifting work for Geotechnical Investigation at Lakhwar - Vyasi (300MW) & Vyasi - Katapathar (150MW), Integrated PSP, Distt- Dehradun, Uttarakhand"** is hereby extended as follows: -

Last Date for submission of bid on website: 01.11.2025upto 5.00 PM
Last Date of Offline Submission of document (Document in original): 05.11.2025 upto 5.00 PM
Date of Opening of e-Tender Part-I: 06.11.2025 at 03.30 PM
Note: All terms and condition will remain same.
For fuller & further details, kindly visit e-procurement portal **"http://uktenders.gov.in"**

Executive Engineer (I&P-II) Ujjwal, Dehradun

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MCC281/2025-P4-GAD **E - TENDER NOTICE** 17/10/2025

Competitive e-Tenders/Tender/Re-Tenders (Two cover systems) are invited from established manufacturers/ authorized suppliers/agencies for the supply of the following items to MCC(PGIOSR) through e tender site www.etenders.kerala.gov.in and MCC(PGIOSR) website.

Sl. No	Item Details	Tender ID:
1	Data Logger Monitoring System	2025_MCC_807942_1
2	NCA LuCI2	2025_MCC_806877_1
3	Vein Viewer	2025_MCC_808192_1
4	Laparoscopy Instruments	2025_MCC_808409_1
5	Thoracoscopic Instruments	2025_MCC_808520_1
6	Open ICG System	2025_MCC_808553_1
7	Low Volume Microfluidic System	2025_MCC_808939_1
8	Shaking Incubator	2025_MCC_809095_1
9	Electroporator	2025_MCC_809308_1
10	Probe Sonicator	2025_MCC_809315_1
11	Floor model ultracentrifuge	2025_MCC_809616_1
12	Lyophilizer	2025_MCC_809482_1
13	Digital hotplate-stirrer with minimum 4 channel and magnetic stirrers	2025_MCC_809511_1
14	Physiotherapy & Rehabilitation items	2025_MCC_809180_1
15	OT Attire	2025_MCC_809429_1
16	Sutures & Staplers	2025_MCC_809552_1
17	Tracheostomy & Laryngestomy tubes	2025_MCC_808261_1
18	Long term central line catheters and Huber needle	2025_MCC_808195_1
19	General surgical consumables	2025_MCC_809126_1
20	Antibiotics and anti-fungal drugs (Retender)	2025_MCC_808334_1
21	Common drugs (retender)	2025_MCC_808325_1
22	Anticancer drugs (retender)	2025_MCC_807174_1
23	IV Fluids	2025_MCC_797361_2
24	Bed/Passenger Lift	2025_MCC_806255_1
25	OT Table	2025_MCC_808885_1
26	Stoma and Wound care products	2025_MCC_809744_1
27	OT Consumables	2025_MCC_810361_1
28	Weighing Balance	2025_MCC_809888_1
29	Water Purification System	2025_MCC_809998_1
30	Cytogenetic Drying System	2025_MCC_810054_1
31	Ice Flaker	2025_MCC_810155_1
32	Setting up of clean room and CAR-T product manufacturing facility	2025_MCC_810266_1
33	Biobank Facility	2025_MCC_810888_1

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KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED
(CIN: U40109KA1999SGC025521)

No.CEE/Tr(Op)Z/TKR/EE(Civil)/25-26/Cys-11 Date: 17.10.2025

TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal Only)

KPTCL invites Bid on electronic mode for the various Civil Engineering works in Tumakuru Transmission (Operations) Zone against bid enquiry numbers: KPTCL/2025-26/OW/WORK_INDENT 2623, 2624, 2625, 2626, 2627, 2628, 2629, 2630, 2631, 2632, 2633, 2634, 2635, 2636, 2637, 2638, 2639, 2640, 2641, 2642, KPTCL/2025-26/OW/WORK_INDENT2450/Call2 & KPTCL/2025-26/OW/WORK_INDENT2452/Call2.

The bids will be received through Electronic Mode Only. The details regarding participation in the E-tendering process can be obtained by logging on to KPTCL website **http://kptcl.karnataka.gov.in** with hyperlink "E Procurement KPTCL" or **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** on or after **21.10.2025 @ 11.30 hrs. Any extension of Due date for Bid submission will be intimated in the Karnataka Public Procurement Portal.** Any details required in this regard can also be had from the office of the undersigned during officer hours.

All Corrigendum/Addendums shall be noticed by the bidders before the last date of submission of the Bids.

Sd/- Chief Engineer (Ele.),
Transmission (Operations) Zone, KPTCL, "Prasarana Bhavana", 1st Floor, Tumakuru 66/11kV S/s Premises, Tumakuru-572103.

Zilla Panchayath Kolar-563101
Office of the Executive Engineer Panchayath Raj Engineering Division Kolar-563101
Phone No: 08152-222570, e-mail: eepredkolar1@gmail.com

No: 09/2025-26 Date: 14.10.2025

Short term Two Cover System Tender
(Through KPPP e-Procurment KW-IV)

On behalf of the Governor of Karnataka as per KTPP Act 2000 item rate tenders were invited in two cover system (SBD) in the forms KW-4 through KPPP e-procurement from authorized PWD contractors registered in appropriate class for KW-4 **Indent No: RDPR/2024-25/RD/WORK_INDENT 11481/CALL-2 Amount put to tender is Rs. 247.05 lakhs & RDPR/2025-26/RD/WORK_INDENT18552 Rs. 298.18 lakhs respectively.** (Kolar & Malur Taluk 02 Road Works) The contractor's are requested for participate in KPP Portal e-Tender through GOK **website: https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** Pre bid meeting schedule **dt: 31.10.2025 at 11.00 AM** in the undersigned office last date for submission of tender application and uploading tender forms through website from **dt: 17.10.2025 to 04.11.2025 up to 4.00pm** and date of opening of technical bids in KPP portal on **date: 06.11.2025 at 11.00 am** The eligible technically qualified contractors financial bids opening **date: 10.11.2025.** The notification can be obtained from the KPPP e-procurement portal. Further details can be had from the above office on all working days in working hours. KPP Portal helpline No's for tender clarification with respect uploading and downloading you can **contact: +91-8046010000, +91-8068948777, +91-9240214000, +91-9240214001**

Sd/- Executive Engineer, PREDivision, Kolar
DIPR/KOLAR/RO:318/KSMCA/2025-26

KARNATAKA NEERAVARI NIGAM LIMITED
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Office of the Executive Engineer, KNNL, GRBCC Division-4, Chikodi. Phone: 08338-272485, E-mail: ee_knnlgrbc4ckd@rediffmail.com

No: KNNL/GRBCC-4/Tender/2025-26/08 Date: 10-10-2025

RE-SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through KPP Portal Only)

Tenders is invited by the undersigned on behalf of the **Managing Director, KNNL, Bengaluru** for the work mentioned below. The blank tender document can be downloaded from KPP Portal of Government of Karnataka. **(https://www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in)**

Indent No: **Two Cover System - General** - Indent No: **3162/ CALL-2, 3165/CALL-2, 3166/CALL-2, 3159/CALL2, 3163/CALL-2, 3164/CALL-2, 3129/CALL-2, 3110/ CALL-3, 1983/CALL-4, 2696/CALL-6, 2745/CALL-6, 3118/CALL-3, SC Reserved** - Indent No: **3155/CALL-2, 3156/CALL-2, Category-I** - Indent No: **3158/CALL-2, Category-II(A)** - Indent No: **3160/CALL-2, 3161/CALL-2,** Approximated Amount Put to Tender: **Rs. 21.02 Lakhs to 84.71 Lakhs,** EMD Amount: **Rs. 21,500/- to 1,69,600/-,** Last Date and Time for Tender Quarries / Clarifications: **24-10-2025 upto 17.00 Hours.** Last Date and Time for Receipt of Tenders: **28-10-2025 upto 16.00 Hours,** Date of Opening of Tenders (Two Cover System): Technical Bid - **29-10-2025 at 16.30 Hours.** Financial Bid - **31-10-2025 at 16.30 Hours.**

Further information can be had from the undersigned from the following Telephone: **08338-272485** and from e-Portal **(https://www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in)** during office hours. The competent authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the tenders without assigning any reasons.

DIPR/Belagavi/1205/ Adverto/2025-26

Sd/- Executive Engineer KNNL, GRBCC Division-4, Chikodi.

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ಸಹಿ/- ಕಾರ್ಯದರ್ಶಿ ಕೃಉಮಾಸ ಹುಬ್ಬಳ್ಳಿ

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ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

(ಇ-ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಮೂಲಕ) ದ್ವಿ ಲಕೋಟೆ ಪದ್ಧತಿ

ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಗ್ರಾಮಾಂತರ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಯ ಆರೋಗ್ಯ ಇಲಾಖೆಯ ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ಆರೋಗ್ಯ ಅಭಿಯಾನದಡಿ ಹೊರಗುತ್ತಿಗೆ ಆಧಾರದ ಮೇಲೆ **2025-26** & **2026-27** ನೇ ಸಾಲಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಮಾನವ ಸಂಪನ್ಮೂಲ ಸೇವೆ ಒದಗಿಸಲು ದ್ವಿ-ಲಕೋಟೆ ಪದ್ಧತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಕೆಳಕಂಡಂತೆ ಇ-ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಮೂಲಕ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದ್ದು, ಆಸಕ್ತರು ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್ : **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** ರ ಮೂಲಕ ಡೌನ್ ಲೋಡ್ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಂಡು ಆನ್‌ಲೈನ್ ಮೂಲಕ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಬಹುದು.

ಇ-ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥೆಯಡಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಷೆಡ್ಯೂಲ್ ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡಂತಿದೆ.

01) ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ : DHFWS/2025-26/SE1779, 02) ಇ-ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ದಾಖಲೆಗಳು ಚಾಲ್ತಿಯಲ್ಲಿರುತ್ತದೆ : 16-10-2025, 03) ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಫಾರಂಗಳನ್ನು ಆನ್‌ಲೈನ್ ಮೂಲಕ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವ ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ : 15-11-2025, 04) ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ನ ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ : ರೂ. 1.36 ಕೋಟಿ.

ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳಿಗೆ **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** ಮೂಲಕ ಮಾಹಿತಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು.

ಸಹಿ/- ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಆರೋಗ್ಯ ಮತ್ತು ಕು.ಕ. ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳು, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಗ್ರಾಮಾಂತರ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ.

ಜಾಸಾಸಂಇ/ಬೆಂಗ್ರಾಜಿ/ಮಣಿಪಾಲ್/3300/2025-26

PUBLIC NOTICE/LOST

My Client Smt. RAVIKALA, W/o. Sri. Late K M Muniraju, aged about 49 years, residing at No.91, 19th Cross, Kaggadasapura Main Road, CV Raman Nagar Post, Bengaluru -560093, was the absolute owner in peaceful possession and enjoyment of the Property situated at Bengaluru East Taluk, K R Puram Hobli, Now under BBMP Ward 81, Kaggadasapura Village, Kondappa Layout, 1st Cross, Ayyappa Temple Road, bearing site no 9, Katha no 44, Property no 10/2 measuring East-West 50 feet and North-South 90 feet, total 4500 Sq feet, bounded on East by Site No 10, West by Site No 8, Noth by Defence Compound and South by Road.

My client by a registered Release deed dated 12.07.2021 registered as document no BNS-1-03203-2021-22, stored in CD No BNSD 1296, Book No 1, registered in the office of the SubRegistrar, Banasavadi, Bengaluru released her rights over the said property in favour of her son Sri K M Vinod Kumar.

The Public are hereby informed that the Original Release deed dated 12.07.2021 registered as document no BNS-1-03203-2021-22, stored in CD No BNSD 1296, Book No 1, registered in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Banasavadi, Bengaluru wherein my client Smt Ravikala has released her rights over the said property in favour of her son Sri K M Vinod Kumar was in my client's custody and the same has been lost / misplaced by my Client.

My Client has also lodged a Police Complaint /Lost Article Report before the jurisdictional police on 10.10.2025 and the same is registered as Lost Report No. 1844465/2025.

The public are hereby requested to notify me/my client and handover the aforesaid Release deed dated 12.07.2021 registered as document no BNS-1-03203-2021-22, stored in CD No BNSD 1296, Book No 1, registered in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Banasavadi, Bengaluru.

SCHEDULE

The Original Release deed dated 12.07.2021 registered as document no BNS-1-03203-2021-22, stored in CD No BNSD 1296, Book No 1, registered in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Banasavadi, Bengaluru wherein my client Smt Ravikala has released her rights over the said property in favour of her son Sri K M Vinod Kumar.

DAYANANDAMURTHY P R LL.B., LL.M. Advocate and Consultant, Law Chambers, Vijayanagar, Bangalore. 560 040.
Mobile: 9449407309 Email: dayanandamurthypr@gmail.com

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ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ (ಕೆ.ಪಿ.ಪಿ. ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಮಾತ್ರ)

ದಾಂಡೇಲಿ ನಗರಸಭೆಗೆ 2025-26 ಸಾಲಿನ ಜಲ್-ಹಿ-ಅಮೃತ್ ಯೋಜನೆಯ ಪ್ರೋತ್ಸಾಹ ಧನ", ಪೌರಕಾರ್ಮಿಕ ಗೃಹಭಾಗ್ಯ ಯೋಜನೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಮಂಜೂರಾದ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕ ಕಾಯ್ದೆ ಹಾಗೂ ನಿಯಮಾವಳಿ-2000 KPPP Portal ಮೂಲಕ ದ್ವಿ-ಲಕೋಟೆ ಪದ್ಧತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಏಟಂವಾರು KW-2, KW-3, KW-4, ಕರಾರಿನಂತೆ ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ನೊಂದಾಯಿತ ಹಾಗೂ ಅರ್ಹ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಂದ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು 1) DMA/2025-26/OW/ WORK_INDENT49796 (ಇತರೆ), 2) DMA/2025-26/OW/WORK_ INDENT50586 (ಇತರೆ), 3) DMA/2025-26/OW/ WORK_INDENT50561 (ಇತರೆ) ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in ಮೂಲಕ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಫಾರ್ಮಗಳನ್ನು ಭರ್ತಿ ಮಾಡಿ ಅರ್ಜಿಗಳನ್ನು ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವುದು. ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಮಾಹಿತಿಯನ್ನು ನಗರಸಭೆಯ ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್ www.dandelicity.mrc.gov.in ನಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು.

ಟೆಂಡರು ವಿವರ: (1) ಟೆಂಡರ ಕುರಿತು ವಿಚಾರಣೆಗಾಗಿ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 10-11-2025 16:00 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ (2) ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪೂರ್ವಭಾವಿ ಸಭೆ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 11-11-2025 11:00 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ (3) ಟೆಂಡರು ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವ ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 12-11-2025 16:30 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ (4) ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 13-11-2025 17:00 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ (5) ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 15-11-2025 11:00 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ

ಸೂಚನೆ: ಕ್ರಮ.ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: 1) ಹಾಗೂ 3) ರ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದಂತೆ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸಲ್ಲಿಕೆಗೆ ಪೂರ್ವಭಾವಿ ಸಭೆಯನ್ನು ದಿನಾಂಕ: 05-11-2025 ರಂದು ಈ ಕಛೇರಿಯ ಸಭಾಂಗಣದಲ್ಲಿ ಆಯೋಜಿಸಲಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ.

ಸಹಿ/-(ಶ್ರೀ ವಿವೇಕ ಬನ್ನೆ)KMAS ಪೌರಾಯುಕ್ತರು, ನಗರಸಭೆ, ದಾಂಡೇಲಿ

ಸಹಿ/- (ಶ್ರೀ ಅಶ್ಫಾಕ್ ಶೇಖ) ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು, ನಗರಸಭೆ, ದಾಂಡೇಲಿ

DIPR/ADK/KSMCA/629/25-26 dt.18.10.2025

THE BANGALORE CITY CO-OP. BANK LTD.,
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE: NO. 3, Pampamahakahvi Road, Chamarajapet, Bangalore -18
Office: 26678572 : 26600512:26609066, Tele Fax: (080)26617980

ESTD: 1907

(Rule 8 (1) POSSESSION NOTICE (for immovable property) (Symbolically)

Whereas the undersigned being the authorised officer of **The Bangalore City Co.operative Bank Ltd.,** A.O., No.3, Pampamahakavi Road, Chamarajapet, Bangalore-18 under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) Ordinance, 2002 (Ord. 3 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(2) read with rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued and demand notice calling upon the undersigned borrowers/ legal heirs to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers /legal heirs having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers /legal heirs and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under section 13(4) of the said Ordinance read with rule 9 of the said rule.

The borrowers / legal heirs in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **The Bangalore City Co.operative Bank Ltd., A.O., No.3, Pampamahakavi Road, Chamarajapet, Bangalore-18.**

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

Sl.No.	Name of the Loanee	Balance Outstanding	Particulars of Immovable Property & Measurement
HEAD OFFICE BRANCH			
01	Smt. Nagamma	Demand Notice Dated : 14.07.2025 Possession Notice Dated: 13.10.2025 Balance outstanding: Rs. 13,03,096/- as on : 13.10.2025	**Property & Measurement :** No.62, P.K. Quarters B to F block, Venkataswamy thota, presently coming under the jurisdiction of BBMP Ward No. 44 of Jagajeevan Ramnagar, New Ward No. 137 of Rayapuram, PID No. 44-110-62, Bangalore. **Measuring: East to West: 15 Feet & North to South: 20 feet** **East by :** Property belongs to Gowramma , **West by :** Property belongs to Gangamma **North by :** Property no. 37, **South by :** 1st Cross Road.
02	Asif Pasha (Deceased) Legal Hires by :- 1. Fareed (Wife), 2. Suhail Pasha (Son) 3. Shuib Pasha (Son), 4) Asma Banu (Daughter) 5. Nazema Banu (Daughter) & 6. Sheena Banu (Daughter)	Demand Notice Dated : 20.06.2025 Possession Notice Dated:13.10.2025 Balance outstanding: Rs. 2,88,781/- as on : 13.10.2025	**Property & Measurement :** No.34/2, Ittige Anjanappa Lane BBMP Ward No. 30 of K.R. Market, PID No. 30-35-34/2, Bengaluru **Measuring:East to West: 25 feet & North to South: 12.9 feet** **East by :** Property belongs to Janakibai , **West by :** Road, **North by :** Property belongs to Syed Unnissa, **South by :** House of Gangaram Singh.
VIJAYANAGAR BRANCH			
03	Sri. Waseem Khan	Demand Notice Dated : 01.07.2025 Possession Notice Dated: 13.10.2025 Balance outstanding: Rs. 19,51,749/- as on : 13.10.2025	**Property & Measurement :-** New Municipal No. 10, Old No. 21, formed out of Sy. No. 153, situated at 5th Cross, West of Padarayanapura, Previously Kempapura Agrahara, (Old Guddadhalli), Presently coming under the Jurisdiction of BBMP Ward No. 43 & New Ward No. 135 of Padarayanapura, With PID No. 43-94-10, Bengaluru. **Measuring: East to West : 17.6 feet & North to South : 45 feet** **East by :** Property bearing same number, **West by :** Site No. 26, **North by :** Site No. 22, **South by :** Road.
04	Sri. Manjunath M	Demand Notice Dated : 04.07.2025 Possession Notice Dated: 13.10.2025 Balance outstanding: Rs. 19,80,983/- as on : 13.10.2025	**Property & Measurement :** New No. 15/1, Old No. 15, formerly No. 15/1-1, situated at 2nd Cross Road, B Street Gopalapura, Magadi Road, Presently coming under the Jurisdiction of BBMP Ward No. 25 of Rama Chandrapura, New ward No. 121 of Binnypet, With PID No. 25-64-15/1, Bengaluru. **Measuring: East to West : 30 feet & North to South : 20 feet** **East by :** Property belongs to Muniyappa , **West by :** Road, **North by :** Remaining portion of property bearing No. 15, **South by :** Conservancy lane
JAYANAGAR BRANCH			
05	Sri. Arul Dass. A	Demand Notice Dated : 19.07.2025 Possession Notice Dated: 13.10.2025 Balance outstanding: Rs. 20,78,265/- as on : 13.10.2025	**Property & Measurement :-** New No. 85/1-1, Old No. 927, 31st B Cross Road, 4th (E) Hutting Colony, Thilaknagar, BBMP Ward No. 60 of Pattabhiramnagar & New Ward No. 170 of Jayanagar, PID No. 60-79-85/1-1, Bengaluru. **Measuring:- East to West : 20 feet & North to South : 12 ½ feet In all Measuring total : 252 Sq feet** **East by :** Road

STATE BANK OF INDIA
STRESSED ASSETS RECOVERY BRANCH
3rd Floor, Building No.11/90 Near Old Shivaji Theatre, OPP: Trustwell Hospital, J.C. Road, Bengaluru-02. Tel: 25943663, 25943664, Email: sbi.05173@sbl.co.in

CORRIGENDUM

It is hereby brought to the notice of all concerned that in the Public Notice of E-Auction Sale published in **The New Indian Express** dated **18th October 2025, Saturday,** the borrower's address was incorrectly mentioned as **Andhra Pradesh** instead of **Telangana.** All are requested to take note of this correction.The error is sincerely regretted.

Sd/-
Place: Bengaluru **State Bank of India**
Date: 18.10.2025 **Authorised Officer**

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client has intended to purchase the Flat No. 502, West Block located on 5th Floor, Block A of the apartment complex known as "MANTRI GREENS" having Property No. 50/502/1-A30, EPID No. 5571289446, constructed on the Municipal No. 1, situated at 2nd Main Road, Malleswaram, Bangalore from its present owners Mr. Raj Lalwani and his wife Mrs. Vandana Lalwani, Residing at # A- 502, Mantri Greens, # 1, Sampige Road Malleswaram, Bangalore. The said owners have represented that they are the absolute owners of the said Flat and apart from them, no other person/s, having any right, title or interest. They further represented that the said Flat is not mortgaged or charged to anybody else by them to any third person/s or Banks. Any person/s, having any claim, interest or right over the above said Flat may contact or write to the undersigned with documentary proof to substantiate such claim/s or interest within **Seven (7) days** from the date of this publication. In the absence of any such claim or objection within the stipulated time, it will be construed that there is no one having any claims or objection on the said Flat and my client will proceed with the sale transaction.

H. NAGESH ADVOCATE,
No. 46, Z Plaza, 2nd Main, Sheshadripuram, Bangalore-20. Mob: 9902201565, 9448625402.
Bangalore Date: 18.10.2025

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E-Tender Notice No.1) GNT/SG/36/355, Dated:16.10.2025 and 2) GNT/SG/36/356, Dated:17.10.2025

PUB/1317

The undersigned invites e-tenders for the works mentioned below up to **12:00 hrs of 10.11.2025.**

ID No.: 355 **Name of the Work :** 1)S&T work in connection with Proposal for construction of RUB in lieu of LC No.10 at Km 15/27-29 between Nambur and Mangalagiri stations. 2)Proposed construction of RUB in lieu of LC No. 268 at km 73/1-2 between Savalyapuram Vinukonda stations. 3)Telecom arrangements in connection with Proposal for construction of RUB in lieu of LC No.07 at Km 10/5-6 between Nallapadu - Bandarupalli stations. 4) S&T work in connection with Provision of subway at with manned LC.NO:16@VLG in Guntur Division. 5) S&T work in connection with Rebuilding of 2 lane ROB with 3 lane ROB at Rly KM 20/2-3 on Chilakaluripet - Vijayawada section of NH 16 at Km 406+300 between Vejandla - Manipuram cabin stations of Tenali - Guntur section in guntur Division. **Advertised Tender Value (₹):** 2,44,78,164.21 **E.M.D/Bid-security (₹):** 2,72,400/- **Cost of Tender Document (₹):** NIL

ID No.: 356 **Name of the Work :** 1) Provision of Auto Fuse Change over system at 97 locations Guntur Division 2) Provision of Auto Fuse Change over system and Earth Leakage Detector with Digital Display at 20 locations Guntur Division 3)Provision of Fault Management and Remote Diagnostic Infrastructure for quick repair and maintenance over Guntur division **Advertised Tender Value (₹):** 4,04,84,029.70 **E.M.D/Bid-security (₹):** 3,52,400/- **Cost of Tender Document (₹):** NIL

1. If the date of opening of tenders happens to be declared holiday at later date, the tenders will be opened on the next working day at the stipulated time.

2. Last dates for online submission of E-bids are 10.11.2025 up to 12:00 hrs. For detailed information logon to our website at **www.ireps.gov.in**.

3. Any further communication/ corrigendum shall only be intimated through E-portal **www.ireps.gov.in**.

Sr. Divisional Signal & Telecom Engineer, Guntur

Tender Notice No. LGD/L/10/2025-26-OT Dt. 17.10.2025

PUB/1318

Dy. CEE/LGDS acting for and on behalf of the President of India invites E-Tenders against Tender No. LGD/L/10/2025-26/OT – E-Tender-closing date 15.11.2025 at 11:00 hrs. Bidders will be able to submit their original/revised bids upto closing date and time only. Manual offers are not allowed against this tender and any such manual offers received shall be ignored.

Contractors are allowed to make payments against this tender towards earnest money (Bid Security) shall be deposited either in cash through e-payment gateway or submitted as Bank Guarantee bond from a scheduled commercial bank of India or as mentioned in tender documents. The Bank Guarantee bond shall be as per Annexure-VIA and shall be valid for a period of 60 days beyond the bid validity period. The original Bank Guarantee should be delivered in person to the official nominated as indicated in the tender document within 5 working days of deadline of submission of bids. Non submission of scanned copy of B.G. with the bid on e-tendering portal (IREPS) and/or non-submission of B.G. within the specified period shall lead to summarily rejection of bid.

S.No.: 01 **Tender No.:** LGD/L/10/2025-26/OT. **Description of work:** Replacement of isolation switch for starting battery in Power cars. **Advertised value (₹):** 16334350.69 (One Crore Sixty Three lakhs thirty four thousand three hundred fifty rupees and sixty nine paisa only.) **Bid Security (₹):** 2,31,700/- **Period of Completion :** 24 Months from the date of issue of letter of acceptance. **Date of Closing:** 15.11.2025 at 11:00 hrs.

Website Particulars: www.ireps.gov.in

For further Tender conditions/details (available in the tender documents) and for downloading of tender documents, corrigendum, please visit our website **https://www.ireps.gov.in/**.

Dy. Chief Electrical Engineer, CWS, Lallaguda, Secunderabad

PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public are hereby notified that we propose to purchase the "B" and "C" Schedule Properties which are part and parcel of 'A' Schedule Property belonging to Sri.G.JAYACHANDRAN. S/o.Sri.G. Narasimhulu Naidu, aged about 57 years R/at. Flat GF-001, Ground Floor, "WIN – 1 Apartment" No.75, 50 Feet Road, NGEF Layout, Nagashettyhalli, Sanjaynagara, Bengaluru – 560 094.

The General Public are hereby notified that if any person/s having any claim/s or objection/s in respect of the 'B' and 'C' Schedule Properties for the proposed sale transaction, may lodge their claims/ objections in writing with documentary proof to reach the undersigned within 7 days from the date of publication of this notice, failing which, thereafter we shall proceed to complete the sale transaction and claims/objections received beyond the stipulated period will not be entertained.

SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of property bearing No.75, NGEF Layout, Nagashetttyhalli, 50 feet road, Bengaluru presently within the jurisdiction of Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Ward No.100, Sanjay Nagar, having BBMP Municipal No.75, New PID No.100-737-75, Bangalore - 560 094, measuring East to West 50 feet and North to South 80 feet together with House built thereon and bounded on the **East by:** Property bearing No.74, **West by:** Property bearing No.76, **North by:** Property bearing No.95 and **South by :** Road

SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY

(Undivided share of land agreed to purchase) 1000 Square Feet undivided share, Right, Title, Interest and ownership in the land in Schedule 'A' Property.

SCHEDULE 'C' PROPERTY

(Description of the apartment / flat agreed to Purchase)

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property being residential Apartment/Flat Unit bearing No.GF-001 situated in the Ground Floor, New Municipal No.100-737-75, E-Katha/EPID No.100-737-75, (Old PID No.100-737-75), Complex known as "WIN -1" situated at No.75, NGEF Layout, Sanjaynagar, Nagashettyhalli, 50 feet road, Bengaluru – 560 094 measuring 1930 Square Foot of Super Built Up Area which is inclusive of 1583 Square Foot of Built Up Area out of which 1300 Square Foot of Carpet Area and 347 Square Foot of proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircases and other areas of common use together with right to use - covered Car Parking Spaces in the Ground floor Level along with Private Garden on the Ground Floor Rear portion of the building approximately measuring 300 Square Foot in the Project "WIN - 1" built on Schedule 'A' Property (including half portion in dept of the joints between the ceiling of the apartment and floors of the apartment above it internal and external walls between such levels) presently Ward No.19-Sanjaynagar, within the revenue administrative jurisdiction of the Bruhath Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike and the building is of RCC roofing, structural foundation with solid cement blocks, cement mortar, superior vitrified tiles flooring, Sal wood doors and windows, separate electricity, common water and sanitary connection, UPVC Sliding together with covered car parking spaces.

From:
1. Mr. BIRADAR RAJENDRA KUMAR S/o. Mr.Shivanagouda
2. Mrs. UPPIN DEEPA W/o. Mr.Rajendra Kumar Biradar
3. Mr. SANJEEV S. CHATNI S/o. Sangappa S. Chatni

No. 4, CIL Layout, Above AU Small Finance Bank Sanjaynagar Bengaluru –560 094
Place : Bengaluru Date :19.10.2025

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TENDER NOTICE NO: 42/2025 Dt.17.10.2025. SUPPLY OF STORES ITEMS e-Procurement Tender Notice

PUB/1320

The Following Tenders Have Been Floated Online. Tenders Are Requested To Visit The Website **www.ireps.gov.in** And Submit Their Offers Online. The Tender Description, Qty, EMD, SD May Be Seen In Website. Offers Submitted Manually Will Not Be Accepted. Offers By Post Will Not Be Entertained. Tender Closing Time Is 14.30 Hrs Of The Due Date Of The Tender. "For All Indigenous Offers, EMD Will Be Accepted Only Via Online System As Available On **www.ireps.gov.in**."

Tender No.	Brief Description
52255013	IP Based CCTV for coaches
29255015	Twin beam LED based headlight for electric locomotive
81251082	Cleaning solvent for electrical rotating machines
66257256	Track machine spares of plasser make
66258174	Track machine spares of plasser make
29255023	Bogie frame with brake rigging for WAG9 locomotive
25251003	Brake shoe complete nominal size to IR Part. No. D/BG-1753.
66257809	Track machine spares of plasser make
LY235607	Intel core i5 laptops with OEM Warranty 3 years or more Display 14 inches
66258418	Procurement of Caterpillar make spares for the use of track machine.
LY255500A	Portable LED light tower with genset as per specification attached in the documents.
66258404	Procurement of JSC KALUGAPUTMASH make spares for the use of track machine
66258447	Procurement of spares for track machine
66258133	Procurement of spares for track machine
66258311	Procurement of spares for track machine

Note:-Due dates of Tender Opening: SL.No.01 on dt.27.10.2025.SL.No. 02 on dt.31.10.2025. SL.No. 03 on dt.03.11.2025. SL.No. 04 on dt.04.11.2025. SL.No. 05 on dt.05.11.2025. SL.No. 06&07 on dt.06.11.2025. SL.No. 08&09 on dt.10.11.2025 SL.No. 10 on dt.11.11.2025. SL.No. 11 on dt.12.11.2025. SL.No. 12 &13 on dt.17.11.2025. SL.No. 14&15 on dt.18.11.2025

Beside Above Mentioned Tenders There Are Other Tenders Having **Value Above Rs.50 Lakhs.**

For Details, Please Visit Railway Website Above.

Principal Chief Materials
A1658 Manager/Secunderabad

For further tender conditions / details and for downloading the tender documents, Please visit website at https://www.ireps.gov.in or www.scr.indianrailways.gov.in

NORTH WESTERN KARNATAKA ROAD TRANSPORT CORPORATION CENTRAL OFFICES, HUBBALLI

TENDER NOTIFICATION NO. 09/2025-26 **DATE:18-10-2025**
Through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal (KPPP)

Tenders are invited from the interested bidders towards supply of the materials or providing the services as shown below.

Sl. NO	Tender No	Description of the tender	Tender Value (Approx.)
1	NWKRTC/2025-26/IND0151	Tread Rubber (PCTR) & Allied items (Short Term Tender)	Rs. 630.00 lakh
2	NWKRTC/2025-26/IND0152	Automotive Glasses (Short Term Tender)	Rs. 502.00 lakh
3	NWKRTC/2025-26/IND0154	King pin components	Rs. 189.00 lakh
4	NWKRTC/2025-26/IND0153	ERW MS Tubes	Rs. 100.00 lakh
5	NWKRTC/2025-26/SE2231	Washing of Curtains and Bed sheets of the Buses	Rs. 60.00 lakh
6	NWKRTC/2025-26/IND0156	Welding Electrodes	Rs. 51.42 lakh
7	NWKRTC/2025-26/SE2230	Junior Assistants on contract basis (Short Term Tender)	Rs. 35.28 lakh
8	NWKRTC/2025-26/SE2233	Catering Service for RTI at Hubballi & Shiggavi	Rs. 35.00 lakh
9	NWKRTC/2025-26/IND0158	Dot Matrix Printers	Rs. 29.00 lakh
10	NWKRTC/2025-26/IND0157	GHT Bolts/U Bolts with Nyloc Nuts	Rs. 28.02 lakh
11	NWKRTC/2025-26/IND0155	Multifunction Printers	Rs. 21.00 lakh
12	NWKRTC/2025-26/IND0150	Single Function Printers	Rs. 18.00 lakh

Last date and time for submission of bids: For the tenders at Sl. No. 1, 2 is 07-11-2025, for tender at Sl. No. 10 is 27-10-2025 and for the remaining tenders it 04-11-2025 till 17.30 Hrs.

For details visit website :http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in Or Contact Mobile Phone Nos. 7022009113/7760988557.

Sd/-
Controller of Stores & Purchases, (Tender Inviting Authority).

DIPR/Dwd/773/DeshpandePublicity/2025-26

Equitas Small Finance Bank Ltd (FORMERLY KNOWN AS EQUITAS FINANCE LTD)

Registered Office : No.769, Spencer Plaza, 4th Floor, Phase-II, Anna Salai, Chennai - 600002.

POSSESSION NOTICE (U/s. Rule 8 (1) - for immovable property)

Whereas the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of M/s. Equitas Small Finance Bank Limited, under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest [Act, 2002 (54 of 2002)] and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with [Rule 3] of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice calling upon the below mentioned Borrowers to repay the total outstanding amount mentioned in the notice being within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. Since the below mentioned Borrowers having failed to repay the below stated amount within the stipulated time, notice is hereby given to the below mentioned borrowers and the public in general that, the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Sub-Section (4) of Section 13 of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002. The Borrowers in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the schedule mentioned properties and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of M/s. Equitas Small Finance Bank Limited and further interest and other charges thereon." The Borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub –section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets."

SR NO	Name of the Borrower(s)/ Guarantor(s)	Description of Secured Asset (Immovable Property)	Demand Notice Date & Amount	Possession taken date
1	**BRANCH - K.R.PURAM Loan No. - SEKRPRM0443790 BORROWER - Mr/Mrs. GOWRAMMA Co-Borrower - Mr/Mrs. NAGRAJA V**	ALL THE PIECE AND PARCEL OF THE PROPERTY BEARING SITE NO. 53/31, PID NO. 150300402500521782, SITUATED AT SAMETHANAHALLI VILLAGE, ANUGONDANAGALLI HOBLI, HOSKOTE TALUK, BANGLORE RURAL. MEASURING EAST TO WEST 38 FEET (11.60 MTRS) AND NORTH TO SOUTH 28 FEET (8.60 MTRS). TOTAL MEASURING 1072 SQ FEET., North By : PROPERTY OF SUMITHRA, South By : PROPERTY OF KULLAPPA AND KAVERAYA, East By : PROPERTY OF CHINNPPA, West By : ROAD.	27.05.2025 & 1037156	15.10.2025
2	**BRANCH - HSR LAYOUT Loan No. - SEHRLYT0345827 BORROWER - Mr/Mrs. DIVYA H Co-Borrower - Mr/Mrs. ANAND N**	ALL THE PIECE AND PARCEL OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY BEING THE NORTHERN PORTION OF THE SITE NO.18, NEW KATHA NO.156/2A(OLD KATHA NO.129/2), SITUATED AT PAPIAH LAYOUT, HORAMAVU VILLAGE, K R PURAM HOBLI, BANGALORE EAST TALUK, BANGALORE TALUK, BANGALORE, NOW COMES UNDER JURISDICTION OF BBMP, BANGALORE, WARD NO.25, RAMAMURTHYNAGAR SUB DIVISION, BANGALORE-560043., North By : PROPERTY OF SRI JOSEPH, South By : REMAINING PORTION OF SITE NO.18, East By : ROAD, West By : PRIVATE PROPERTY.	27.05.2025 & 1428583	15.10.2025
3	**BRANCH - PEENYA Loan No. - 200001798662/ SEPEEYA0404812 BORROWER - SRINIVASIAH S Y Co-Borrower - PADMAVATHI C A, PRAJWAL S S**	All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing PID No. 150200102300102585 residential Vacant Site as per Form No.9 site No.1449/1096/8+9, as per Form No.10, Khanesumari No.1157/1096/8+9 Janjar No.1731, converted residential sites formed out in Survey No.453, measuring EW 12.192 Mtr (40 feet) NS 13.716000000000000001 Mtr(45 feet) in all totally site measuring 167.23 Sqr Mtrs (1800 Sqr Feet) Vide Conversion Order No.ALN.SR.49/91-92, dated 22.05.1992, situated at Sarjapura Village, in the limits of Sarjapura Village. and land converted from agriculture to non agricultural for residential purpose and bounded on-North By-Private Property-South By-Road-East By-Site No.4-West By-Site belongs to Rajashekar	23.04.2025 & 1547158	15.10.2025
4	**BRANCH - K.R.PURAM Loan No. - 200002151585/ SEKRPRM0378475 BORROWER - WASEEM PASHA Co-Borrower - FAZULULLA SHARIF**	All that piece and parcel of immovable property Nagarasabe katha No. 244, Measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 20 feet, in total measuring 600 sq. feet. Situated at Ambedkar Colony Hoskote Nagrasabhe Bangalore.,North By-House Belongs to Sabji.,South By-Road,East By-Road,West By-Property belongs to Riyaz Ravalkar.	14.06.2025 & 1104080	15.10.2025
5	**BRANCH - K.R.PURAM Loan No. - 200001977995/ SEKRPRM0425794 BORROWER - SHABNAM BANU Co-Borrower - SHAFEEQULLA**	All that piece and Parcel of Immovable Property Site No. 3 , Nagarasabhe Katha No. 4627/3393/1188/2116, Measuring East to West 40 feet and North , South to East 18 feet and West side 20 feet (40x 18+ 20/2)in total 760 Sq. Feet . Situated at Vishvishwaiah Badavane Hoskote Town Bangalore Rural.,North By-Property belongs to mohammed Ali and Prejan,South By-Property belongs to Munivenkatappa,East By-Site no. 2,West By-Road	14.06.2025 & 2248626	15.10.2025

Date - 19.10.2025, Place - Bangalore **Authorized officer , Equitas Small Finance Bank Ltd**

THE HOTEL INDUSTRIALISTS CO-OPERATIVE BANK LTD.,

Regd. Office: "Sahakara Sourabha", No.234, 2nd Cross, 4th Main, Chamarajapet, Bengaluru - 560 018. Phone: 080-26678329, 26612482, 41277283,
E-mail: ho@hicbank.com, Website: www.hicbank.com

Tender – cum – Auction Sale Notice

AUCTION SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY UNDER SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002.

Whereas, the Bank has issued notice under Section 13 (2) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002 and in pursuant to and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13 (4) of the Act, the Authorised Officer, **The Hotel Industrialists Co-Op Bank Ltd, Chamarajapet, Bangalore** has taken possession of the mortgaged properties including those more fully described hereunder, and the Bank has decided to sell the below mentioned property under the provisions of the SARFAESI Act read with the relevant rules of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Sl. No.	Name of the Borrowers	Description of Property and Boundaries & Measurement	Reserve Price and EMD	Balance Outstanding Amount to be paid to Bank	Date & Time of opening tender & place of auction
	DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY				
	(1) M/s. Eco Green Fuels Pvt Ltd Represented by its Director Mrs. Sarita Bantia W/o Julesh Bantia A Company incorporated under companies Act 1956, having its registered office at No.E-4, No.9-B, 2nd Phase, Peenya Industrial Area, Bangalore-560058. **Also at:** G4, No.26/3, Vaasthu Nirvaan, Railway Parallel Road, Near Reddy's Petrol Bunk, Nehru Nagar, Bengaluru-560020. **(2) Sri. S Ramesh** S/o S R Subramanyam No.495, 1st Cross, Near Soumyakali Temple, Kalikanagar, Bangalore-560058 **(3) Smt. K H Sudhamani** W/o S Ramesh No.495, 1st Cross, Near Soumyakali Temple, Kalikanagar, Bangalore-560058. **(4) Smt. Deepika R** D/o S Ramesh No.495, 1st Cross, Near Soumyakali Temple, Kalikanagar, Bangalore-560058.	All that piece and parcel of the residentially converted land property bearing Sy. No.14, BBMP Katha No.74/Sy.No.14, measuring 0-15 guntas, situated at Andhra Halli Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Ward No.40, Bangalore. measuring 16335 square feet and bounded as follows: East: Property in Sy. No.14 and Road, West: Property in Sy. No.9, North: Remaining portion of the property bearing Sy. No.14, South: Drainage.	**Rs. 3,20,00,000/-** (Rupees Three Crore Twenty Lakhs Only) **EMD: 10% of the Reserve Price Rs.32,00,000/-** (Rupees Thirty Two Lakhs Only)	**Rs. 3,77,59,288/-** (Rupees Three Crore Seventy Seven Lakh Fifty Nine Thousand Two Hundred Eighty Eight Only) as on 30.09.2025	**05.11.2025 at 11.30 AM** The Hotel Industrialists Co-Op Bank Ltd., Chamrajpet Bangalore.

Terms and Conditions of Auction Sale: - 1. The Tender form can be collected from **The Hotel Industrialists Co-Op Bank Ltd., "Sahakara Sourabha" No.234, 2nd Cross, 4th Main, Chamarajapet, Bengaluru-560018. (ph. 080-41277283)** on all working days during office hours. **2.** The intending bidders should submit their bids in the prescribed tender form in closed cover along with EMD of 10% of the Reserve Price by means of Demand Draft / Banker's Cheque / Pay Order drawn in favour of **The Hotel Industrialists Co-Op Bank Ltd., Bangalore-** payable at Bangalore. The Demand Draft / Banker's Cheque / Pay Order shall be drawn after the date of publication of this Tender – cum – Auction Sale Notice. **3.** Tenders not in the prescribed format will not be accepted. The tender along with the EMD shall be submitted at **The Hotel Industrialists Co-Op Bank Ltd., Bangalore** latest by **04.11.2025 before 5.00 P M.** Tender without EMD shall be summarily rejected. **4. The property "SHALL NOT"** be sold below the reserve price. 5.In case the bidder is not successful the E M D amount shall be refunded without interest. **6.** The EMD amount shall be liable for forfeiture without prior notice, if the successful bidder fails to adhere to the terms and conditions of the Auction Sale. **7.** The sealed tenders will be opened by the Authorised Officer in the presence of the available / attending bidders at **11.30 AM on 05.11.2025, 8.** After opening the tenders, the intending bidders may be given opportunity at the discretion of the Authorised Officer to have, intense bidding amongst themselves to enhance the offer Price. **9.** The successful bidder shall deposit 25% of the Sale Price (inclusive of EMD) immediately after the auction sale, on the same day, in Cash or Demand Draft and the balance of the Sale Price within 15 days from the date of confirmation of sale. In case of default by the successful bidder, all the amounts deposited till then shall be forfeited without notice and the property shall be put for re-auction. **10.** The successful bidder shall bear the statutory dues / taxes / charges / property tax / E B charges / water charges / conveyance charges such as stamp duty, registration fee etc. that is required to be paid in order to get the property conveyed in his favour, as per the applicable laws. **11.** The Authorised Officer has absolute right to accept or reject any or all of the tender or/ bid / offer and / or adjourn / postpone / cancel the Auction Sale without assigning any reason, and also to modify an or all terms and conditions of the sale without prior notice. **12.** The sale is subject to confirmation by the Bank. **13.** The property can be inspected by the intending bidder between **10.00 AM and - 5.00PM** at his expenses at the address mentioned in the Schedule. **14.** The property is put for sale on **"AS IS WHERE IS CONDITION" and "AS IS WHAT IS CONDITION".** The intending bidder shall satisfy himself about the title, ownership, statutory approvals, encumbrances etc. of the property. **(15)** In case of stay of further proceedings by DRT/DRAT/High Court or any other court, the auction may either be deferred or cancelled and persons participating in the sale shall have no right to claim damages, compensation or cost for such postponement or cancellation. **(16)** This is also notice to the (Borrowers /Guarantors / Mortgagors) aforesaid loan about holding of auction sale on above mentioned date if their dues are not repaid in full, other terms and conditions applicable as per the Act.

For further details the intending bidders may contact the Authorised Officer, The Hotel Industrialists Co-Op Bank Ltd., Bangalore "Sahakara Sourabha" No.234, 2nd Cross, 4th Main, Chamarajapet, Bengaluru-560018, for ascertaining the details of property and also for inspection of property Contact No.080-41277283 or Mr. Niranjan Kumar T Mob: 9632383697 (M/s. SUN DEBT MANAGEMENT SERVICES PVT LTD) E-Mail: ho@hicbank.com

Date: 18.10.2025 Sd/- Authorised Officer
Place: Bangalore The Hotel Industrialists Co-Op Bank Ltd.

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರ
ಪೊಲೀಸ್ ಇಲಾಖೆ
ಪೊಲೀಸ್ ಅಧೀಕ್ಷಕರವರ ಕಛೇರಿ,
ಚಿಕ್ಕಮಗಳೂರು ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ, ಚಿಕ್ಕಮಗಳೂರು

ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ : CKM/STOR/CRSF/3/2025/COMP No.506361 ದಿನಾಂಕ:15.10.2025

ಇ–ಟೆಂಡರ್ ನೋಟೀಸ್

2025–26ನೇ ಸಾಲಿಗೆ ಚಿಕ್ಕಮಗಳೂರು ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಪೊಲೀಸ್ ಘಟಕಕ್ಕೆ ಅನುಮೋದನೆಯಾಗಿರುವ ಕ್ರಿಯಾ ಯೋಜನೆಯನ್ವಯ ಚಿಕ್ಕಮಗಳೂರು ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಯ 02 ಸ್ಥಳಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಸಂಚಾರ ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥೆಯ ಮೇಲೆ ನಿಗಾ ಇರಿಸುವ ಕುರಿತು ಕೆ.ಟಿ.ಪಿ.ಪಿ. ಕಾಯಿದೆ 1999 ನಿಯಮ 2000ರ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಇ–ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕ್ರಿಯೆ ಮೂಲಕ ಎ.ಎನ್.ಪಿ.ಆರ್ ಕ್ಯಾಮೆರಾ ಹಾಗೂ ಪರಿಕರಗಳನ್ನು ಖರೀದಿಸಿ ಅಳವಡಿಸಲು ಅರ್ಜಿಗಳನ್ನು ದ್ವಿ–ಲಕೋಟೆ ಪದ್ಧತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ.

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1	KSP/2025-26/ IND0346	TENDER FOR SUPPLY, INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF ANPR CAMERA SYSTEM FOR TRAFFIC MONITORING AT TWO DIFFERENT LOCATIONS IN CHIKKAMAGALURU DISTRICT	31-10-2025 at 1730 Hrs

ಮೇಲಿನ ಎ.ಎನ್.ಪಿ.ಆರ್. ಕ್ಯಾಮೆರಾ ಹಾಗೂ ಅದಕ್ಕೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದ ಪರಿಕರಗಳನ್ನು ಸರಬರಾಜು ಮಾಡಿ ಅಳವಡಿಸಲು ಇಚ್ಛಿಸುವವರು ಇ–ಪ್ರಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ನೊಂದಾಯಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳಬೇಕು. ಇ–ಪ್ರಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ತರಬೇತಿ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮವನ್ನು ಇ–ಪ್ರಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಸೆಲ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥೆಗೊಳಿಸುತ್ತಿದ್ದು, ಎಲ್ಲಾ ಸರಬರಾಜುದಾರರು ದೂರವಾಣಿ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: 91–9240214000, 91–9240214001 ಗಳಿಗೆ ಸಂಪರ್ಕಿಸಿ ಸಹಾಯವನ್ನು ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು. ಇ–ಪ್ರಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪ್ರಕ್ರಿಯೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸುವ ಸರಬರಾಜುದಾರರು ಇ–ಪ್ರಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪ್ಲಾಟ್‌ಫಾರಂನಲ್ಲಿ ನೊಂದಾಯಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳುವುದು ಕಡ್ಡಾಯವಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ.

ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳಿಗೆ **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** ಅಥವಾ ಸಹಾಯವಾಣಿ 91–9240214000, 91–9240214001ಗೆ ಸಂಪರ್ಕಿಸತಕ್ಕದ್ದು.

ಸಹಿ/– **ಪೊಲೀಸ್ ಅಧೀಕ್ಷಕರು,**
ಚಿಕ್ಕಮಗಳೂರು ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank
(A Government of India Undertaking)

Canara Bank, ARM Branch I
2nd Floor, No. 86, Spencers Tower, M.G. Road, Bangalore-560001.

SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provisio to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged to the Secured Creditor, the Physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on **11.11.2025 (10.30 AM to 11.00 AM),** for recovery of **Rs. 10,37,81,05,025.40/- as on 17.10.2025 with further interest and cost thereon** due to the **ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru of Canara Bank** from **1. Scotts Garments Limited,** A Company Incorporated under the Companies Act, Having Its **Registered office at :** 481-B, IV Phase, Peenya Industrial Area, Bangalore-560058.**Represented by its Managing Director : Mr. Naseer Ahmed. 2. Mr. Naseer Ahmed,** No, 391, 2nd Cross, 2nd Main, 2nd Stage, RMV Extension, Bengaluru - 560058. **3. Smt. Nuzhat Aisha Naseer,** W/o Sri. Naseer Ahmed No. 391, 2nd Cross, 2nd Main Road, 02nd Stage, RMV Extension, Bengaluru 560058. **4. Sri. Awaiz Ahmed,** S/o. Naseer Ahmed 69-8, Shobha Malachite, Bellary Road, Jakkur, Behind Ship School. **5. SCOTTS PLANTATIONS Pvt LMITED,** A Company Incorporated under the Companies Act Having Its **Registered office at :** 481-B, IV Phase, Peenya Industrial Area, Bangalore-560058. **Represented by its Authorized Signatory : Mr. Naseer Ahmed, 6. COPPERS COINS REALTY PVT LIMITED,** A Company Incorporated under the Companies Act Having Its **Registered office at :** 481-B, IV Phase, Peenya Industrial Area, Bangalore-560058. **Represented By its Authorized Signatory, Mr. Awaiz Ahmed,** Bangalore-560 023.

The Earnest Money shall be Deposited by way of E-Wallet of **M/s. PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/)** portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through RTGS/NEFT in the account details as mentioned in the said challan on or before **10.11.2025, 5.00 pm.** **(Rs. in Crores)**

Lot	Description of the immovable/ movable assets	Reserve Price	EMD	Incremental value Rs.
1	(i). Industrial Land and Building at 481/A, IV Phase, Peenya Industrial Area, Peenya, Sy No. 46, Nallakadaranahalli, Bangalore-560058. Land measuring 4,146 Sq.mtr (44,628 Sq.ft) with a total built up area of 1,65,000 Sq.ft. (ii) Industrial Land and Building at 481/B, IV Phase, Peenya Industrial Area, Peenya, Sy No. 46, Nallakadaranahalli, Bangalore-560058. Land measuring 1874 Sq. mtr (20,172 Sq.ft) with a total built up area of 69,600 Sq.ft.	42.12	4.21	0.25
2	Industrial Land at Sy. No 60. Sultan Thippasandra village, Now Called Shaheenshanagar, Railway Parallel Road, Kolar Town, Kasaba Hobli, Kolar District - 563101. Land measuring 32 guntas or 34,848 sq.ft.	6.42	0.64	0.25
3	Industrial land and building at Sy. No. 30/1, 30/2 and 32/2 Sangodahalli village, Kondarajanahalli Panchayat, Chikkaballapura Road, Kasaba hobli, Kolar District - 563102. Land measuring 2 acre 29 guntas or 11,8701 Sq.ft.	18.16	1.82	0.25

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"What's perfection, anyway? It's the death of creativity" — Diane Keaton

GOLD RUSH, AI BUBBLE, ROACHES AND SCENT OF FEAR

THE THIRD EYE

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THE swirl of events has brought a confluence of facts and perceptions centre-stage. Global growth is wading through uncertainty. Debt and deficit in G7 economies is at a peak. Trump has upended the global trade order. Yet, stock indices are hovering at their peak in what bulls call 'the everything rally', and gold and silver prices are spiralling to record highs.

Gordon Gekko immortalised the line "Greed is good, greed works, greed is right" in *Wall Street*. However, greed entails consequences and fear is primordial. John Maynard Keynes said, "The market can remain irrational longer than you can remain solvent." The trillion-dollar rise in valuations has triggered the 'what if' question. It does seem global savers are poised on the brink of hope and fear.

While the perfect crystal ball to divine the future is yet to be crafted, the factors driving emotions merit attention. Here are a few observations—on the signals and the noise—worth pondering over.

Like the catalyst for both exuberance and fear is the velocity of rise in valuation. The price of gold has spiralled 62 percent since January 1 to $4,250; Goldman Sachs' September 30 estimate of gold at $4,000 in 2026 was breached on October 8. Silver shot up over 78 percent to $51.90 an ounce in less than 10 months.

In the stock markets, the US benchmark S&P500, which slid to 4,982 following Trump's 'Liberation Day', has since notched new highs to hit 6,664, and the Nasdaq Composite shot up from a low of 15,267 to 22,679. Stocks in Europe and Nikkei225 piggy-backed the global rally despite faltering growth in the UK, France and Germany, and political turmoil in Japan. In India, GDP growth and earnings boosted the Nifty50 to a 52-week high amid heavy selling by foreign investors.

It is true that the rise in gold prices represents angst about economic uncertainty. It is equally true that gold has emerged as an asset class. Gold exchange traded funds have added 634 tonnes just this year. Pension funds and sovereign wealth funds are also big tag buyers. Add the geopolitical feature—central banks have accumulated 1,000 tonnes each year for three years to add to their reserves as an alternative following the freezing of Russia's reserves. The scent of fear has spiralled with demand outstripping supply.

Like, it is noteworthy that the rise in US indices is fuelled by foreign ownership of US stocks, which has touched $18 trillion, or roughly a third of the market—the highest in the post-war era even though the dollar has slid over 10 percent. US stocks have emerged as a proxy to the dollar and US Treasuries following sanctions and the geopolitical questions enveloping the role of the dollar as a safe haven. As global savers upped stakes in stocks, systemic risk has gone up. Gita Gopinath, formerly deputy managing director at IMF, believes a shock emanating from the US could impact global demand and growth.

The rise of the 'Magnificent 7' stocks since Liberation Day is striking—the CNBC Mag 7 Index, which slid to 250, is now at 405. Between them, the Mag 7 stocks—Nvidia, Microsoft, Apple, Alphabet, Amazon, Meta and Tesla—are worth over $20 trillion, or more than the GDP of China. Nvidia, which dominates the chips market and hence the AI story, is up 32 percent; Microsoft, a major investor in OpenAI, is up 22 percent. It is being argued that the rise in AI stocks is debatable. The question ricocheting off Wall Street is where are the revenues? Critics flag the prevalence of 'vibe revenues' in the ecosystem and see parallels with the 1999 dotcom bubble. Interestingly, the biggest gainer in the S&P500 is Robinhood Markets—up over 200 percent to $129 this calendar year.

Like the scepticism about the quality and speed of the rise of stock indices is focused on AI stocks—particularly after the trillion-dollar declarations of consanguineous nature by chipmakers, buyers and infra developers. Indeed, OpenAI chief Sam Altman believes, "AI could be in a bubble." Bridgewater founder Ray Dalio says the AI bubble echoes dotcom excesses. Torsten Slok of Apollo Global avers that the AI bubble is bigger than the 1990s' dotcom bubble. Sceptics point out that several metrics such as the Buffet Indicator on US market cap as a ratio of GDP and concentration of market leadership signal trouble ahead.

What is troubling investors is that the indices seem to shrug off every live issue that must impact valuations. Mind you, the promise of 'liberation' is yet to be realised and the issue of trade deficits is far from settled. Tariff trackers illustrate the state of negotiations rather eloquently. For instance, the largest deficit is with China and the trade talks there are following a pretend-and-extend or rinse-and-repeat pattern. Last week, Trump threatened to impose additional 100 percent tariffs on China, only to end this week arguing it is not sustainable.

Like the award for the perfect diagnostic analogy for detecting rot must go to Jamie Dimon. The JP Morgan CEO said, "When you see one cockroach, there are probably many more." Dimon deployed the analogy to highlight risks and frauds in regional banks and private credit markets that have been haunted by 'mark-to-myth' valuation questions.

Finally, the contest between hope and fear is best explained in the '*yaksha prashna*' in the *Mahabharata*. The reality of mortality is visible on a daily basis, and yet, people seek to live longer, even immortality.

KERALA BATTLES FOR NEW IDENTITIES

POWER & POLITICS

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KERALA, long hailed as a cradle of social reform and progressive politics, is undergoing a profound political shift. The state that once stood as India's ideological outpost of communism and secular reason is now grappling with the growing pull of cultural nationalism. The bipolar rhythm that defined Kerala's democracy for half a century—the predictable alternation of power between the Left Democratic Front and the Congress-led United Democratic Front—is weakening. In its place, a third pole is taking shape, as the Bharatiya Janata Party and the Sangh parivar make a visible impact on social and political events in a state once thought immune to their influence.

The upcoming 2026 assembly election has transformed the state into a battleground of ideologies, identities, and power. The LDF, led by Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan, and the Congress-led UDF under state Congress president K Sudhakaran are scrambling to hold on to a political landscape that is shifting beneath their feet. For decades, the state was a bastion of communism and secular orthodoxy. Today, the BJP, under Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Union Home Minister Amit Shah, along with the Sangh parivar, is rewriting the rules of engagement, injecting nationalism, cultural pride, and assertive ideology into Kerala's politics. Every controversy, every moral debate, and every community mobilisation is now viewed through the lens of the election, making 2026 not just a vote but a referendum on the state's future ideological identity. Kerala's story, long written in the colour red, is slowly being rewritten in shades of saffron.

The pre-election period has already seen a surge in controversies that highlight the Left's ideological vulnerabilities. The LDF revived an old allegation against RSS leader K Valsan Thillankeri, accusing him of sexually exploiting a man who later died by suicide. The case, dormant for nearly a decade, resurfaced at a time when the Sangh's influence was visibly rising, signalling how the Left is willing to weaponise moral controversies for electoral advantage.

At the same time, Kerala's minister for general education, V Sivankutty of the CPI(M), publicly supported a Muslim student's right to wear the hijab in school, presenting it as a matter of personal freedom. BJP state president K Surendran criticised this as blatant appeasement. Interestingly, Congress spokesperson Ramesh Chennithala, in a rare alignment, lent tacit support to the RSS cadre under scrutiny.

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Earlier this year, the detention of Catholic nuns in BJP-ruled Chhattisgarh was cited by the Left and the Congress to attack the BJP, while the saffron camp framed it as evidence of the opposition's selective outrage. These flashpoints are not isolated. They reflect the heightened pre-election environment, where identity, morality, and religion have overtaken governance as the axes of debate.

The hijab debate and revival of old allegations highlight the Left's current ideological fragility. By endorsing selective religious claims, Sivankutty and his party seek minority votes. Yet, in doing so, they dilute the Left's secular core. The BJP seized on these moments to expose the Left's hypocrisy, showing that a party that once criticised appeasement now practices it openly.

The Congress, still searching for a clear stance, has oscillated opportunistically between defending the Left and criticising the BJP. Kerala's political discourse, once grounded in rationalism and welfare, is now dominated by pre-election posturing, moral ambiguity, and identity politics.

The BJP's breakthrough in the 2024 Lok Sabha elections has further intensified pre-election dynamics. For the first time, the party won a parliamentary seat in Kerala when actor-turned-politician Suresh Gopi captured Thrissur, ending decades of marginalisation. The party's statewide vote share reached around 16 percent, getting about 25 percent or more in constituencies such as Thiruvananthapuram, Palakkad, and Thrissur.

However, Kerala's demographic makeup alone presents a formidable barrier to the BJP's ambitions. According to the 2011 Census, Hindus account for 54.73 percent of the state's population, Muslims 36.56 percent, and Christians 18.48 percent. Thus, Muslims and Christians together constitute about 45 percent Kerala's population. They are large, well-organised, and entrenched in social institutions such as mosques, churches, community bodies, and minority political formations. The BJP's vote share may be rising, but remains far behind the dominant fronts'. The RSS can probably alter the one-sided narrative. But it would find it difficult to acquire political power even in the long run. This is not just a political pivot; it is Kerala's karmic reckoning where conviction meets culture, and the story of god's own country is rewritten by its own children.

Nevertheless, sociologically, the changes are visible in traditional community alignments. The Ezhava community, represented by the Sree Narayana Dharma Paripalana Yogam under Vellappally Natesan, has increasingly aligned with saffron initiatives. The Nair Service Society led by G Sukumaran Nair has signalled openness to cultural nationalism on issues such as Sabarimala.

Even younger Christian leaders in central Kerala are reassessing their political affiliations. The electorate is no longer bound by conventional ideological loyalties, and the space once dominated by the Left and Congress is now contested by an ideology rooted in heritage, cultural cohesion, and principled governance. In addition, the Left's fatigue after consecutive terms in power is evident. Vijayan and his ministers spend more energy defending controversies than shaping policy. Governance challenges, including rising inflation, youth unemployment, and declining remittances from the Gulf have weakened the Left's moral authority.

Kerala's political environment remains complex. Literacy, civil society activism, and a politically aware electorate provide resilience against polarisation. The state's Muslim and Christian minorities together ensure no ideology can dominate purely through majoritarian appeal. Yet, the Sangh parivar's expansion and the BJP's strategic outreach have created a credible, ideologically coherent alternative capable of challenging the Left and Congress on multiple fronts. The upcoming assembly election is poised to be the most consequential since 1957, when E M S Namboodiripad led the world's first democratically elected communist government.

Two dynamics underscore the emerging future. First, younger voters, disillusioned with ideological stagnation and political infighting, are more receptive to development and national renewal than in class struggle or historical orthodoxy. Second, the Left's increasing reliance on selective minority appeasement has alienated traditional Hindu support bases, creating a structural opening for saffron consolidation. Together, these factors signal a lasting reconfiguration of Kerala's political, social, and cultural map.

As the 2026 assembly election approaches, Kerala stands at a historic inflection point. Citizens are no longer simply choosing between the Left and the Congress. They are deciding the ideological future of a state long known for social progress. God's own country, once the stronghold of communism and liberalism, is now gravitating slowly toward a nationalist awakening. Governance is being measured by principle rather than appeasement, identity rather than factional loyalty, In this transition from Marx to mandir, the greatest irony is that the Left, in claiming to defend secularism, has become the practitioner of appeasement, inadvertently paving the way for an alternative nationalist revival that is perceived to align with the values, culture, and aspirations of those sections of Malayalis it once sought to marginalise.

WITH A LITTLE HELP FROM FILMY FRIENDS

OPINION

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THE most radical of creative efforts are often the quietest. Like the first edition of a pioneering creative producing lab for South Asian documentary filmmakers, Doc Producing South, that took place in early September in Delhi.

Co-founded by Anirban Dutta and Anupama Srinivasan, the makers of Sundance-winning *Nocturnes*, it aims to nurture young documentary talent through peer-driven mentorship. Eight selected projects went through an intensive workshop that covered the gamut—proposal development, budgeting, financing, distribution strategies, contracts and rights negotiation—with guidance from celebrated documentary names like Shaunak Sen (*All That Breathes, Cities of Sleep*), and Rintu Thomas and Sushmit Ghosh (*Writing With Fire*). The collective also includes Payal Kapadia, cinematographer Ranabir Das, filmmakers Arya Rothe and Arun Bhattarai, and producer and programmer Anu Rangachar.

"It's like how in academics you send a paper for peer review," says Dutta of the model that is all about sharing, supporting, and generosity. "The established makers came with an open heart, to give back whatever they had got from their journeys," he says.

Oscar-winning producer Guneet Monga Kapoor came up with a similar significant initiative at Cannes this May. Three rising women producers—Tillotama Shome, Rucha Pathak, and Dimpy Agarwal—were chosen for the fellowship programme Women in Film's India chapter, which took them to Cannes to access the Producers Network at the film market. The idea was to provide them mentorship and networking opportunities, to make them understand the global financing and co-production scenario.

In a similar collaboration between Women in Film India, the ministry of information and broadcasting's WAVES Bazaar, and the National Film Development Corporation, six film projects with women in key roles were taken to the Toronto Film Festival in September.

When it comes to championing young, independent filmmakers, few individuals have been as consistent as the *enfant terrible* of Hindi cinema, Anurag Kashyap. Along with Ranjan Singh of Flip Films, Kashyap has put his might behind diverse movies. Two remarkable debuts—Anuparna Roy's Venice winner *Songs of Forgotten Trees* and Varsha Bharath's Tamil language Rotterdam champ *Bad Girl*—and two sophomore films—Raam Reddy's *Jugnuma* and Natesh's Hegde's Kannada language *Vaghachipani* (Tiger's Pond), both platformed in Berlin.

Established filmmakers are stepping up to help first-timers with creative feedback, production, distribution, and outreach. The help is particularly appreciated in the documentary and indie film circuits

Aranya Sahay's debut feature, *Humans in the Loop*, resonated with Kiran Rao in "how it explored the intersection of technology, labour, and the knowledge systems we risk losing in our rush toward progress". Supporting it then didn't just feel meaningful, but necessary.

In much the same way, Vikramaditya Motwane, Nikkhil Advani, Nagraj Manjule and Sai Tamhankar came together to back Rohan Kanawade's Marathi language *Sabar Bonda* (Cactus Pears) before its India release. Now Mira Nair is presenting it for its North American release with a heartfelt endorsement coming from Payal Kapadia.

Joining *Humans* as an executive producer, Rao helped it get a push before the theatrical release, amplifying the marketing and hosting screenings. She also facilitated conversations for finding a potential streaming partner. She had similarly stepped in for Anand Gandhi's *Ship of Theseus* (2012) and Karan Tejpal's *Stolen* (2023).

Baksho Bondi (Shadowbox), Tanushree Das and Saumyananda Sahi's debut Bengali feature, had a record 23 people from the film community getting together to produce it. "Independent filmmaking can be quite challenging, and filmmaking in its essence, is extremely expensive. If we spread that risk, that expense across so many people, then suddenly it's not such a difficult thing to do," said one of the producers, composer Naren Chandavarkar.

For Ranjan Singh, encouraging new talent is not about altruism but common sense: "How else can a creative business sustain itself? Where will the next Kashyap or Motwane come from?"

Rao also thinks that collective support is important not just for independent films, but for the cinema business at large as it creates a healthier ecosystem. Says she: "Cinema can still be a space for conscience and community."

QUOTE CORNER

Flick is Gladiator, he looks just like Russell Crowe. He's been a great find for us and he is an absolutely top coach. He's really easy to get along with. But he is also very demanding. You can't make him change his plans. He's very German in that sense, but at the same time, he's also sensitive in how he deals with people.

Joan Laporta, Barcelona FC president, on coach Hansi Flick

India is a strategic priority in Hyundai's global growth vision. India isn't just important to Hyundai's global strategy. India is Hyundai's global strategy.

Jose Munoz, CEO of Hyundai Motor, announcing $5-billion investment by 2030 to expand manufacturing and research operations in India

It's especially hard to know that he tried to burn our family to death while we slept. The hardest part has been trying to explain it to our four children.

Josh Shapiro, governor of Pennsylvania, after a 38-year-old man pleaded guilty to arson charges for setting fires inside the governor's residence

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Animal corridors

Ref: *Protect elephants for a healthier ecosystem* (Oct 18). Elephant habitats are shrinking due to deforestation, encroachment. The government must urgently protect their migration corridors, control vehicle speed near them, and involve local communities in conservation. Saving elephants means saving biodiversity, forests, and our planet's future.

Thameem Yoosaf, Kozhikode

Other pollutants

Ref: *Let's go Dutch* (Oct 18). Pollution from firecrackers is certainly a problem, but it is only a small part of a much larger issue. The burning of plastic waste, disposal of human sewage into water bodies, and dumping of industrial waste into rivers severely pollute entire waterways. The success of the Netherlands' model lies in addressing all these problems comprehensively.

S Sundareswara Pandiyan, Chennai

Swadeshi pride

Ref: *Sizing up swadeshi ambition* (Oct 18). Zoho's Arattai is preluded by its chat app Cliq, given to its email clients. It also has good alternatives to productivity services that are available at a fraction of what American alternatives cost. This corporate is bootstrapped and has received no help from government or public funding. It has helped many companies cut IT spending. We should be proud of such an Indian company.

Anand Hosmane, email

Oil claim

Ref: *Trump again claims India won't be purchasing Russian oil* (Oct 18). Donald Trump never hid his discontent towards India for continuing to buy Russian oil despite America's objections. But India had not heeded his unsolicited advice. Now Trump has gone two steps farther and asserted on behalf of India. His statement cannot be taken lightly as it can raise suspicion on India's intent and affect its trade. A clear condemnation is called for.

D V G Sankara Rao, Vizianagaram

Beyond redemption

Ref: *How Unnikrishnan Potti walked into his own trap* (Oct 18). The investigation into the theft of gold meant for cladding dwarapalakas at Sabarimala caused profound unease among believers as the Special Investigation Team came up with the details. Fear of god is the final barrier that prevents people from stealing temple wealth. But when ideas turn into sheer greed, characters are compromised in a way beyond redemption.

K V Raghuram, Wayanad

First flight

Ref: *Flight of self-reliance* (Oct 18). Hindustan Aeronautics' Tejas Mk1A's maiden flight is a proud milestone for the Atmanirbhar Bharat mission. This indigenous combat aircraft equipped with advanced avionics and weapon systems reduces dependence on imports while showcasing domestic aerospace capability. The achievement strengthens national security, boosts defence industries, and symbolises India's growing technological self-reliance.

N Sadhasiva Reddy, Bengaluru

Citizens' responsibility

Ref: *The air we breathe* (Oct 16). The move to allow only certified 'green crackers' this Diwali is a welcome step towards cleaner celebrations. While these low-emission crackers reduce pollution, true change depends on public awareness and responsibility. Many still buy banned firecrackers, ignoring their impact on air quality and health. As responsible citizens, we must celebrate with care, choosing light and togetherness over noise and smoke.

P Fathimathul Shaza, Kannur

Calling CBI

Ref: *CBI probe justified only in exceptional cases* (Oct 16). The Supreme Court has opined that a CBI probe should be ordered only as a last resort in exceptional cases. Given this, one is unable to understand why the top court showed such a tearing hurry to transfer the Karur stampede case to the CBI and announced a supervisory committee to monitor the investigation, despite a commission headed by a retired high court judge already in place.

Tharcius S Fernando, Chennai

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POSTS OF THE DAY

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This is very very concerning. Sadly, Modi is clueless & prefers to just bow down to Trump & do nothing..."Trump tariffs bring India's massive garment industry to its knees".

Jairam Ramesh @Jairam_Ramesh

President Trump has yet again said that he has been assured by his good friend that India will cut back on its imports of oil from Russia. But that good friend suddenly becomes a Mauni Baba...

Amit Malviya @amitmalviya

West Bengal CM Mamata Banerjee seems to have completely lost the plot. Her claim that people are buying flats in Bhabanipur just to get a vote and defeat her is bizarre.

Major fire breaks out at multi-storey apartment complex housing MPs

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

A major fire broke out at the Brahmaputra Apartment on Baba Khadak Singh Marg in central Delhi on Saturday, injuring two persons. The multi-storey apartment houses several Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha MPs. The apartment complex was inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in 2020.

According to fire officials, they received information regarding the blaze at 1.23 pm, following which 14 fire tenders were rushed to the spot. The fire broke out in the parking area of the apartment. It was brought under control at 2.05 pm. The visuals show that a thick smoke was seen coming out of the premises. Two cars and a bike were damaged due to the fire.

"We received a call at 1.23 pm, rushed to the spot and brought it under control," said Fire Officer Bupendra Prakash. Panic gripped the high-security residential zone on the festive day, with witnesses describing the scene as "terrifying".

Vinod, a resident of the third floor, said that his dog was stuck inside. "I rushed back. My dog was stuck inside. My daughter is to get married in four-five months for which we bought jewellery and clothes. My wife and a kid sustained injuries," Vinod said.

Purnima, an eyewitness, said, "Initially, fire officials didn't let us enter. We heard that some people were injured." Another resident said that he was at work when the incident occurred. "Our belongings, docus and jewellery were destroyed," he added.

Northern Command ropes in all forces for future risks

Exercises conducted to test preparedness for modern warfare

MAYANK SINGH @ New Delhi

THE Indian Army's Northern Command carried out a simulation of multi-domain, multi-agency exercises to test preparedness for next-gen conflicts.

"The exercise challenged commanders, troops and staff with futuristic threats in cyber, space, electromagnetic and cognitive domains," the Army said in a statement.

The four-day exercise from October 13 to 16, named Vidyut Vidhhwans, improved reflexes and set new benchmarks in preparedness for futuristic threats. With a substantial deployment of the Army and Air Force, the Navy also chipped in at select locations during the exercise. "Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs), sister services, central government agencies and private sector players participated in the exercise, underscoring the importance of integrated and whole-of-a-nation approach to continuously evolving security landscape.

Participation by indigenous defence industry players set a new benchmark towards achieving jointness, Atmanirbarta (self-reliance) and innovation," the Army added.

The Northern Command handles borders with Pakistan and China, including sensitive areas like Kargil, Siachen, and Eastern Ladakh. In addition to the Jammu and Kashmir Police, the CAPFs — BSF, ITBPF, Shashastra Seema Bal (SSB) and the CRPF — guard the border. Troops of the Assam Rifles have also been deployed in Jammu division.

Apart from the traditional border-related issues, terrorism and insurgency, the Northern Command handles threats in cyber and space domains. "During the exercise troops deployed in the forward areas were nade to face situations like cyber intrusion, spectrum saturation, electronic jamming, spoofing and cognitive attacks," the Army said.

While interacting with the troops, Northern Army Commander Lt Gen Pratik Sharma said, "In modern warfare, the lines are blurring between domains, so we need to leverage niche technology and keep innovating. A whole-of-the-nation approach is required to protect our territorial integrity and critical assets and also unleash punitive action on adversaries if the situation so demands."

The Army said, "Initiated by the thoughtful dialogue during Samvad held at Mathura on October 4, the exercise demonstrated that readiness for future warfare begins with open minds and seamless teamwork".

HARINI AMARASURIYA

A HOMECOMING OF HISTORY AND HEART

JAYANTH JACOB

MANDAR PARDIKAR

ON a mellow October noon in Delhi, Sri Lankan Prime Minister Dr Harini Amarasuriya crossed the storied gates of Hindu College—three decades after first entering as a wide-eyed sociology student, with the sky perhaps the only limit.

It was more than a return. It was a full-circle moment for a leader now at the helm of a nation rebuilding itself, once again, from the fault lines of another crisis with resolve. Amarasuriya, who studied at the college from 1991 to 1994, arrived on campus during her first visit to India since taking office in November 2024. The mood was electric and joyous. Students crowded the lawns, teachers fine-tuned final details, and everything celebratory and not ceremonial.

For Hindu College, it marked a historic first. An alumna returning not as a guest, but as a sitting Prime Minister. Clad in her signature simplicity, Amarasuriya was welcomed with a 'Guard of Honour' before addressing a packed Sanganeria Auditorium. "When I walked through these gates in 1991, I was just a nervous girl from Sri Lanka with dreams and doubts," she said. "Walking back through them today, I feel immense gratitude—and a deep sense of admiration."

Her speech blended nostalgia with reflection. She recalled the long conversations under trees, fierce debates on inequality, and the formative influence of student theatre and activism. "This college didn't just teach me theory," she said. "It taught me to question. To resist cynicism. To believe that injustice is not inevitable."

That belief would later define her career. Born in Colombo in 1970 to a tea planter and a homemaker, her early years were shaped by the fractures and fissures of post-colonial Sri Lanka. She studied across continents earning degrees in sociology, development studies, and a PhD in social anthropology from the University of Edinburgh, where her research focused on child protection.

Before entering politics, she spent over a decade as a lecturer at the Open University of Sri Lanka, combining academic rigour with grassroots activism. Her work on human rights, gender justice, and youth development placed her at the heart of several national reform efforts. Yet she remained grounded, serving on the boards of organisations such as NEST and the Law and Society Trust, always focusing on the voices of the marginalised.

In 2022, as Sri Lanka teetered on the brink of an economic collapse and political uncertainty, Amarasuriya emerged as a key voice of reason amid the chaos. The protests that rocked the country, fuelled by inflation, blackouts, and sense of political betrayal reshaped its political fabric. Her election to Parliament came soon after, and in 2024, she was appointed Prime Minister by President Anura Kumara Dissanayake. She also holds the education, higher education, and vocational training portfolios apt for someone who has long championed learning as a vehicle for change.

At Hindu College, she used her platform not just to reminisce, but to challenge. "Democracy is not a spectator sport," she told the students. "It demands participation, courage, and hard work. Show up. Speak up. Build bridges, not walls."

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She also struck a warm chord on India-Sri Lanka relations, calling the two countries "bound by history, values, and kinship." India, she noted, had played a vital role in Sri Lanka's recovery. "We may not always agree, but we show up for each other when it matters most."

After her address, Amarasuriya walked through the campus past the sociology department, her old hostel, and Room No. 27, where she once sat as a student. The college had renamed its new Social and Ethnographic Research Lab in her honour. The gesture moved her to quiet tears. As she paused in the sun-dappled corridors, now surrounded by students eager for selfies or simply sharing space with her, the symbolism was hard to miss. This wasn't just a visit. It was a testament to a life shaped by inquiry, integrity, and quiet conviction. Harini Amarasuriya's story is one of substance—a reminder that leadership, at its best, begins with listening, learning, and daring to return to where it all began.

Trump says ready to solve 'easy' Pak-Afghan conflicts

JAYANTH JACOB @ New Delhi

US President Donald Trump has yet again claimed that India will no longer purchase oil from Russia, during a media interaction after meeting with Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy at the White House on Friday.

Trump's remarks come as he continues to push for an end to the Russia-Ukraine conflict through a mix of diplomacy, economic pressure, and territorial concessions.

"India will not be buying oil from Russia. They have already de-escalated," Trump said during the joint appearance with Zelenskyy. He reiterated the claim during a bilateral lunch and added that Hungarian oil imports from Russia were understandable due to the country's landlocked geography.

"India is not going to be buying Russian oil anymore, and Hungary is sort of stuck because they have one pipeline... and they're inland — they don't have sea," he said. "But India will not be buying oil from Russia."

Trump had earlier said that he had spoken to Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi, who he claimed "assured" him that India would end its oil imports from Moscow, a move Washington has long demanded, arguing that Russian crude sales help fund its war effort.

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However, the Ministry of External Affairs came out with a swift response. MEA spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal had said, "I am not aware of any conversation yesterday between Prime Minister Modi and President Trump." The ministry also reiterated the country's long-standing position that energy imports are determined by domestic needs and market stability.

"India is a significant importer of oil and gas. It has been our consistent priority to safeguard the interests of the Indian consumer in a volatile energy scenario," the statement read.

Trump's remarks about India came alongside a renewed diplomatic push to end the Ukraine conflict. After previously voicing support for Ukraine reclaiming all territory lost since the 2022 Russian invasion, Trump on Friday appeared to signal a reversal.

"Enough blood has been shed, with property lines being defined by war and guts," Trump wrote on Truth Social. "They should stop where they are. Let both claim victory. Let history decide."

The remarks hint at a willingness to accept current Russian territorial control as the basis for peace, a position that aligns more closely with Moscow's demands. When asked if Ukraine might be pressured into ceding territory, Zelenskyy avoided direct comment.

Alimony can't be granted to financially independent spouse, says Delhi HC

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

THE Delhi High Court has said that alimony cannot be granted to a spouse who is financially independent, emphasising that permanent alimony under the Hindu Marriage Act (HMA) is meant as a measure of social justice, not as a means of financial equalisation.

A division bench, comprising Justices Anil Kshetarpal and Harish Vaidyanathan Shankar, made the observation while hearing a plea filed by a woman officer of the Indian Railways Traffic Service (Group 'A') seeking permanent alimony and compensation from her husband, an advocate, following their divorce.

The couple, married in 2010, lived together for only a year before separating. Their marriage was dissolved by a family court in 2023 on grounds of cruelty. The husband had accused his wife of mental and physical cruelty and humiliation in social and professional settings. The wife denied the charges and counterclaimed cruelty by her husband.

Family court dissolved marriage, refused alimony

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The woman moved HC, contesting the findings of cruelty and the denial of maintenance. However, the bench upheld the lower court's decision, observing that judicial discretion under Section 25 of the HMA must be applied judiciously and cannot be used to award alimony to a financially independent individual.

HCs rapped over pendency of 8L execution pleas

SUCHITRA KALYAN MOHANTY @ New Delhi

THE Supreme Court has recently directed the High Courts to work out an effective mechanism for prompt disposal of over 8 lakh execution petitions pending in various lower courts across the country.

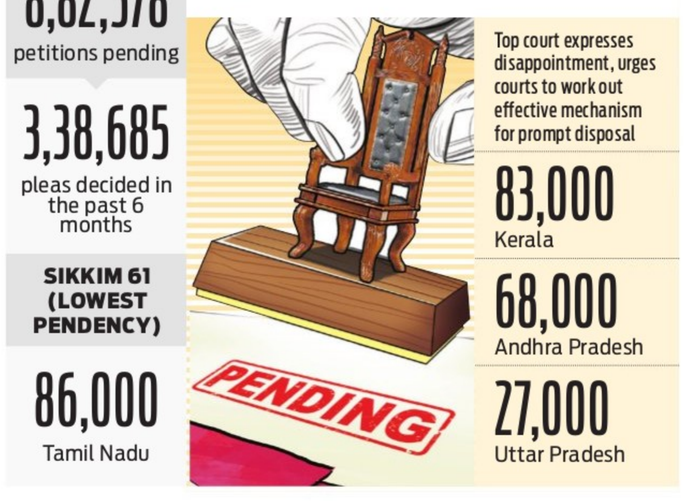
Expressing its disappointment, a bench of Justices J B Pardiwala and Pankaj Mithal, in its October 16 order, said, "The statistics which we have received are highly disappointing. The figures of the pendency of the execution petitions across the country are alarming. As on date, 8,82,578 execution petitions are pending nationwide."

While the court acknowledged that in the last six months, 3,38,685 execution petitions have been disposed of, it emphasised that over 8 lakh remain to be disposed of quickly. The court made these observations after going through a consolidated data from various High Courts and District Courts over the status of execution plea pendency and disposal.

In its 10-page order, the court requested all the HCs to evolve some procedure and guide their respective district judiciaries in effective and expeditious disposal of the execution petitions that are pending. The court scheduled the matter for further hearing to April 10, 2026, and has sought a comprehensive data from all the HCs regarding the status of execution petitions by that date.

The SC further noted that unfortunately, the Karnataka HC has failed to furnish it with the necessary data. "The Registry shall once again give a reminder to the High Court of Karnataka to furnish the necessary data as regards the disposal of the execution petitions in last six months and the pendency of it as on date."

In its order, the top court criticised the HCs for extensive number of pending execution petitions, extending the time for compliance by another six months and asked all HCs to not only monitor their district judiciary but also evolve procedures for effective enforcement of decrees.



According to the data furnished by various HCs before the top court, Maharashtra has the highest number of cases, exceeding more than 3.4 lakh, while Sikkim has the least – only 61. The data further revealed that Tamil Nadu followed closely with over 86,000 pending cases, while Kerala has nearly 83,000. In addition, Andhra Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh each have more than 68,000 and over 27,000 pending cases, respectively.

The SC, in its order, further observed that if it takes years to execute a decree, after it has been passed, then it makes no sense and would be nothing short of travesty of justice.

Earlier this year, while deciding a 40-year-old property dispute case, the SC had directed all the HCs to collect data from their district judiciaries and ensure that pending execution petitions are decided within six months.

The apex court said that by its Judgment and order of March 6, 2025 rendered in the case of Periyammal (Dead) versus Rajamani, it had issued directions and ordered all the HCs to call for the necessary information with regard to pendency of the execution petitions.

Over 4.6 lakh suspicious claims under PM-JAY detected, states told to probe

KAVITA BAJELI-DATT @ New Delhi

THE Centre has detected over 4.6 lakh suspicious claims made under the Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PM-JAY) from September 2023 to March 2025, latest government data said.

The National Health Authority (NHA) — the world's largest publicly funded health insurance scheme — also flagged more than 1,33,611 claims amounting to a total of ₹272 crore as fraudulent.

According to the NHA annual report 2024-25 released at a two-day national review meeting in Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh, the claims were rejected before payment could be made.

Over 4,63,669 suspicious claims have been shared with states for further investigation. The only state which is not implementing the scheme is West Bengal. The NHA's national anti-fraud unit (NAFU) team has conducted approximately 120 Joint Field Medical audits across various states and UTs.

Also, over 2,283 Desk Medical Audits have been conducted across states, and suspicious entities have been shared with states for further investigation. Stressing that "institutionalising an anti-fraud framework is key to preserving the integrity of the scheme and building trust," the report said that in the future, predictive analytics, real-time monitoring, and automated checks will be carried out "to proactively detect, deter, and address suspicious activities and fraudulent claims will be further strengthened."

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Launched seven years ago, the scheme provides financial protection against catastrophic health expenditure by offering health coverage of up to ₹5 lakhs per family annually for secondary and tertiary care hospitalisations.

As of March 31, 2025, the AB PM-JAY has covered 15.14 crore eligible families and an additional 8.57 crore families under state-specific schemes, equivalent to more than 80 crore eligible individuals. It targets the bottom 40% of the population.

By March 31, over 9.19 crore hospital admissions, amounting to approximately ₹1.29 lakh crores, have been facilitated. While 52% of hospital admissions were in the private sector, 48% were in the public sector. Similarly, 66% of the total amount was allocated to the private sector, compared to 34% for the public sector.

Speaking at the review meeting, Dr Sunil Kumar Barnwal, CEO, NHA, said, "Ayushman Bharat, with its four strong pillars, has benefited over 45 crore people."

MAHA CLASH

A former corporator of the Shiv Sena in Kalyan-Dombivli township of Maharashtra's Thane and two of his supporters were injured after some men attacked them for helping their rival group.

7 KILLED IN SEPARATE ROAD ACCIDENTS IN UP

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	34	24	Mumbai	33	28
Bhopal	30	19	Panaji	33	26
Jaipur	30	20	Patna	32	24
Amritsar	31	19	Lucknow	32	23
Chennai	29	26	Port Blair	29	26
Kolkata	34	27	Imphal	28	19
Srinagar	22	10	Chandigarh	30	19

● Home Minister says no taker for Cong leader's 'vote theft' charge ● BJP says NDA will take a call on top job; Cong cagey on Tejashwi

Cong says seat deal done, Shah asks why Rahul mum

RAMASHANKAR @ Patna

JMM to go it alone in polls, to contest on six seats

With the deadline to secure a respectable number of seats looming, the JMM is to contest the elections independently. Party General Secretary Supriyo Bhattacharya said JMM will field its candidates on Chakai, Dhamdaha, Katoria, Pirpainti, Manihari and Jamui seats.

AMID possible friendly fight on at least nine seats, the Congress on Saturday claimed that seat-sharing arrangements among INDIA bloc partners for Bihar Assembly elections has been finalised and only an official announcement was pending.

"Everything has been finalised, the official announcement will be made an appropriate time," Congress spokesperson Pawan Khera said, asserting that the Opposition alliance is ready to present a united front to the ruling NDA in the assembly polls. Bihar Congress president Rajesh Ram also claimed that party symbols were distributed among candidates after proper discussions on each seat and a consensus reached among leaders of allies.

Ram said that leaders at the meeting with RJD leader Tejashwi Prasad Yadav had submitted the list of seats each party wanted to contest. Even names of the candidates were shared with Tejashwi, the coordinator of INDIA bloc. "The party allotted symbols after proper discussion with each ally," he added.

Addressing a function at Patna, Home Minister Amit Shah sharpened his attack on Rahul Gandhi's 'vote theft' allegation, saying the Congress leader has suddenly fell silence on 'vote chori' slur as people of Bihar have dumped the issue. "Rahul Gandhi is not raising 'vote theft' issue these days as people have forgot him and his accusations of 'vote theft," he said. Shah hailed Election Commission's Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls in Bihar and said that it should be carried out across the country. "Why is Rahul Gandhi silent on SIR?" he asked.

Referring to foreign infiltration, the home minister said, "Can foreign infiltrators be allowed to vote in the election? Have they right to form the government in Bihar after the elections? People should have to ponder over this."

Sharpening his attack on RJD-Congress-led Mahagathandhan, Shah said the alliance has neither finalised the seat-sharing formula nor its leader to resolve the issue.

Shah asserted that since the abrogation of Article 370, Jammu and Kashmir has witnessed a "complete transformation," with no local terrorist recruitment reported in the last nine months. He said the 'Hurriyat' ideology was gaining strength when there was Article 370 in Kashmir and so the government abrogated it.

Both NDA and INDIA bloc in doldrums over CM face

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

No Rajasthan BJP leader among star campaigners

Not a single Rajasthan BJP leader has surfaced in the list of star campaigners announced for the Bihar Assembly elections by the party. The list of campaigners includes the Chief Ministers of Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Assam and Delhi, among other leaders.

EVEN after the close of nominations for the first phase of polling for 121 Bihar assembly constituencies on November 6, neither the ruling NDA nor the Opposition INDIA bloc has clearly stated who will lead the state if elected, leaving voters and observers in a state of speculation.

The RJD, Bihar's principal opposition party of which the Congress is an ally, is projecting Tejashwi Yadav as the most suitable face for the CM post. The RJD claims that Tejashwi will usher in a new era of 'vikas' (development) in Bihar, countering the NDA's charge that the RJD's 'jungle raj' had pushed the state into economic chaos and misgovernance. RJD's projection of Tejashwi as CM candidate lacks unanimous support within alliance. The Congress has refraining from directly endorsing Tejashwi, which has led to disgruntlement within the RJD.

The NDA strategically maintains that the elections are being fough under the leadership of incumbent CM Nitish Kumar. Yet, ambiguity persists over his continuation in the role after the polls. The BJP, a key NDA partner, sends mixed signals, fuelling speculation over Kumar's future. When asked who would be the CM, Home Minister Amit Shah said on Thursday that the NDA legislative party would decide it by after the elections. JD(U) is yet to respond to Shah's comments, deepening the political intrigue. Political analysts interpret Shah's comment as a sign of potential change. Perhaps sensing that his remark could risk creating rifts, Shah on Friday met Nitish and praised his role in rescuing Bihar from RJD's 'jungle raj".

Political observers think that this strategic ambiguity in both camps seems to be aimed at maintaining alliance unity in the run-up to the polls. "This uncertainty over CM face both in NDA and Mahagathbandhan creates confusion in the public and shows trust deficit within alliance politics," RK Verma, a political analyst, said, adding that both alliances seem to be keeping their cards close to their chests until after the results.

Pawan Kumar, a political observer, said, "This is the single issue on which Congress and BJP hold similarly strategy. The national parties having no charismatic leadership at state level follow two regional parties."

GUWAHATI DIARY

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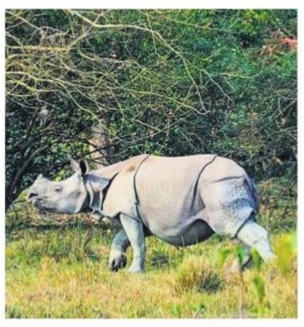
Poaching attempts on the rise in Kaziranga

Poaching attempts have been rising in the Kaziranga National Park & Tiger Reserve. A suspected poacher was recently killed after a brief exchange of fire with forest guards. The gunfight followed intelligence inputs about the movement of suspected poachers. In another incident, the forest guards thwarted a poaching attempt by arresting three hunters. Later, based on their statements, a .303 rifle and nine live cartridges were recovered. Poachers kill rhinos for their horns, which may fetch up to ₹5 crore from the international black market. Kaziranga has already scripted a success story in rhino conservation. Saving it was a key BJP promise.



Govt brings bill to safeguard 'Satras'

The state Cabinet has cleared the Assam Satra Preservation and Development Commission Bill, 2025, to protect the sacred heritage institutions, promote their cultural & economic potential, and ensure their legacy for future generations through a blend of modern governance and reverence for tradition. A panel will be established to secure Satra lands from encroachment and disputes through transparent governance, while promoting sustainable economic growth through heritage tourism and 'Satriya' arts. It will further safeguard Vaishnavite heritage through a digital repository for lands, artefacts, and manuscripts.

One station, one product coverage to 112 stations

The Northeast Frontier Railway (NFR) has made progress under the Ministry of Railways' One Station, One Product (OSOP) initiative that aims to promote local artisans and entrepreneurs by providing them a platform to showcase and sell their indigenous products at railway stations. As of October 2025, altogether 112 stations under NFR have operational OSOP outlets, covering 135 functional units. The initiative provided a boost to local crafts, traditional products and self-employment opportunities across the Northeast. "These initiatives underscore NFR's commitment to social welfare and economic empowerment," a statement said.

J&K STATEHOOD

Omar considers becoming party to case in SC

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

JAMMU and Kashmir Chief Minister Omar Abdullah on Saturday said that he is seriously considering becoming a party to a case filed in the Supreme Court seeking the restoration of statehood in J&K.

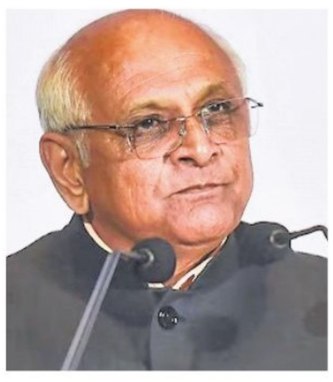
"I have had conversations with very senior lawyers both in Delhi and J&K about the possibility of becoming a party to this case as the Chief Minister of Jammu and Kashmir," Omar said at a presser in Srinagar, adding, "I don't think anybody understands the disadvantages that we are put in by being a union territory than I do. I am the only person in the entire country with the experience of being both CM of a state and that of a union territory."

"So this is something that is actively being discussed with the legal team. Based on their opinion, there is a possibility that I will make myself a party to this case as CM of J&K UT," the CM further said.

The top court heard some petitions for the restoration of J&K's statehood on October 10 and granted the Central government four weeks to file a response. The Centre is expected to respond by the second week of November.

Dy CM Sanghvi takes charge of home, Jadeja edu ministry

DILIP SINGH KSHATRIYA @ Ahmedabad



WHO GETS WHAT

1. Sanghvi has retained the Home portfolio, along with Law and Sports, becoming the second power centre
2. Kanubhai Desai continues to handle Finance and Urban Development
3. Jitu Vaghani returns to Agriculture, Cooperation and Animal Husbandry

LESS than 24 hours after the oath-taking, Bhupendra Patel's 3.0 cabinet on Saturday began work with symbolic rituals and strategic portfolio allocations.

On Dhanteras, 11 ministers, including Deputy Chief Minister Harsh Sanghvi, and Indian cricketer Ravindra Jadeja's wife Rivaba Jadeja, took charge in the BJP's governing machinery. Rivaba entered through the common gate, shunning VIP entrances, her husband and cricketer Ravindra Jadeja and daughter Nidhyanaba by her side.

Unlike Rivaba's quiet entry, Sanghvi arrived with a wave of supporters. He has retained the crucial Home portfolio, along with Law and Sports effectively becoming the second power centre after the CM.

CM Patel has kept key portfolios Revenue, and Road and Housing firmly under his command, signalling a tight grip on core governance levers. Kanubhai Desai continues to handle Finance and Urban Development, while Jitu Vaghani returns to Agriculture, Cooperation and Animal Husbandry.

The cabinet reflects a careful balancing of political weight and regional representation. Kunwarji Bavaliya has been assigned Labour, Employment and Rural Development critical sectors ahead of 2027. Another key face, Arjun Modhwadia, gets Forest and Environment. Naresh Patel will helm Tribal Development, while Raman Solanki steps in for Food and Civil Supplies. Praful Panseria will lead Health.

Rishikesh Patel takes over Energy, Petrochemicals, Panchayat and Rural Housing, while Pradyuman Vaja has been given Social Justice and Empowerment. Among Ministers of State, Jadeja has landed the crucial Education portfolio. Trikamlal Chhanga has been given Higher and Technical Education, Kanti Amrutia gets Labour and Employment, and Darshana Vaghela Urban Development. Ishwarbhai Patel will manage Water Supply and Resources, Swaroopji Thakor Khadi and Village Industries, and Sanjaysinh Mahida Rural Development.

The list of independent charges further clarifies the power mosaic. Manisha Vakil gets Women and Child Development along with Social Justice and Empowerment, Ishwar Patel retains Water Supply, and Praful Panseria adds Family Welfare and Medical Education. Meanwhile, Kamlesh Patel has bagged law-and-order cluster Finance, Police Housing, Jails, Border Security, Civil Defence. Jairam Gamit has emerged as a dark horse with an expansive portfolio spanning Sports, Industries, Tourism and Civil Aviation.

In chacha-bhatija duel, Paras to go after Chirag nominees

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

Chirag Paswan, Pashupati Kumar Paras

AMONG the interesting contests brewing in the Bihar elections is the one between two different parties that share the same political legacy. While one of them is led by the *chacha* (uncle) and the other is run by the *bhatija* (nephew).

The *chacha* is Pashupati Kumar Paras, brother of late Ram Vilas Paswan, whose son Chirag Paswan is the *bhatija*. Paswan's Lok Janshakti Party suffered a vertical split after his death, with Paras floating the Rashtriya Lok Janshakti Party (RLJP), while Chirag chose to name his faction as Lok Janshakti Party (Ram Vilas).

With the NDA being extra generous this time in allotting 29 seats to Chirag's party, Paras has threatened to play spoiler by fielding candidates against almost all of Chirag's nominees, apart from entering the fray from other seats.

Paras initially wanted to enter the fray as part of the RJD-led Mahagathbandhan.

But since seat-sharing talks failed, he decided to go it alone. Chirag has fielded five candidates so far, and so has Paras from the same seats.

The most interesting of the five contests is in Mahua in Vaishali district, where Paras fielded Shamsuzzama against Chirag's Sanjay Kumar Singh. Others in the fray include RJD patriarch Lalu Prasad Yadav's elder son, Tej Pratap Yadav, and RJD's Mukesh Raushan. Shamsuzzama is expected to damage Sanjay Kumar Singh's prospects, due to the division in Paswan and other Dalit votes. The Paswan vote bank constitutes 5.31% of the state's population.

During the 2020 polls, Chirag had fielded candidates against the ruling JD(U) and damaged its prospects of picking up more seats.

Assam polls: BJP revives pact with BPF after drubbing

PRASANTA MAZUMDAR @ Guwahati

FACING perhaps the toughest Assam elections early next year, the ruling BJP has revived its alliance with the Bodoland People's Front (BPF).

The BPF had ousted the BJP-United People's Party Liberal (UPPL) combine from power in the Bodoland Territorial Region last month by bagging 28 seats in the elections to the 40-member autonomous Bodoland Territorial Council (BTC). In less than a month after the landslide victory, the BPF formally joined the National Democratic Alliance (NDA) on Saturday following a call from the BJP. Charan Boro, a BPF legislator, was sworn in as a minister. The BPF will return the favour by appointing two from the BJP as executive members in the BTC and another as deputy speaker.

The Assam ministry has the UPPL's UG Brahma, who was inducted in 2021 after the formation of the government. BPF and UPPL are considered bitter rivals. Recently, former rebel leader-turned-BPF president and BTC chief executive member Hagrama Mohilary stated that his party would join the NDA only after the UPPL's removal from the NDA. The UPPL's fate vis-a-vis alliance with the BJP now hangs in the balance. Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma said the BJP's alliance with allies Asom Gana Parishad and UPPL, which was for five years till upcoming Assembly elections, would be reviewed by November-December.

Sarma termed the BPF's decision to join the NDA and Charan Boro's inclusion in the ministry as a milestone toward peace, progress and coordination in Bodoland.

Maha prices up, foreign liquor sales down this yr

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

SALE OF LIQUOR

YEAR	LITRES IN CR
2025-26	15.01 (till Sept)
2024-25	32.19
2023-24	30
2022-23	27.72
2021-22	23.51
2020-21	19.99
2019-20	21
2018-19	20
2017-18	17.93

AFTER Maharashtra revised its foreign liquor prices in June, sales have drastically reduced, impacting the revenue generated from excise duty. According to the state excise department data, 15.1 crore litres of liquor have been sold this year up to September, compared to 32.19 crore litres during the same period last year.

In the 2024-25 fiscal year, the state sold 30 crore litres, while 27.72 crore litres were sold in 2023-24 and 22.52 crore litres in 2022-23. Interestingly, during the pandemic year, foreign liquor sales increased compared to previous years. In 2018-19 and 2019-20, the foreign liquor sales were reported at 20.77 crore litres and 21 crore litres, respectively.

In the non-pandemic year of 2017-18, the foreign liquor sale was 17.93 crore litres. Additionally, the sales of country liquor have also been affected due to rising prices. This year, up to September, country liquor sales amounted to 21.09 crore litres, down from 40.35 crore litres last year. The significant decline in sales has adversely affected revenue. For this year, up to September, excise revenue totaled ₹12,332 crore, compared to ₹25,467 crore last year.

Senior officials from the state excise department acknowledged that while foreign liquor sales have decreased, the rise in prices is not the only reason. They noted that the increasing cost of living has led people to tighten their budgets, and liquor purchases, including foreign liquor, got impacted.

"Buying liquor, especially foreign liquor, is the last priority for many people. The price increase was carried out to increase the revenue and align our prices with those of other states. However, this has not been well accepted by the people of Maharashtra. We still have a few months to gather final data, and the end of December is one of the major events that could contribute additional revenue and present a better picture," an official said, requesting anonymity.

Naxal leader asks cadres to lay down arms

EJAZ KAISER @ Raipur

THE recent mass surrenders of Maoists at Gadchiroli (Maharashtra) and Jagdalpur (Chhattisgarh) has led a senior leader of Udanti Area Committee, active along the Chhattisgarh-Odisha border, to appeal cadres active in the region to lay down their arms.

A one-page letter issued in the name of Maoist leader Sunil has cited the surrender with weapons led by Sonu Dada in Maharashtra and Rupesh Dada in Chhattisgarh hinting the pressure of the security forces and inability to operate the mission of CPI (Maoist) in the present context. The letter asks the comrades to halt the armed struggle but continue to resolve the problems of the people.

The Gariaband district police chief Nikhil Rakhecha welcomed the move of Maoists to renounce the path of violence.

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SCHEDULE "B" PROPERTY
(BELONGING TO Sri.M.G. Satish)

All that piece and parcel of immovable Property on the western side bearing **Site No.3,** property No. 3, old municipal no.3/27, municipal no. 03/46/3/27, PID No. 3-46-27, property No.29/3/27, EPID No.9620167864, situated at **1st cross road, HMT Employees Co-oprative House Building Society, Bengaluru-560054**, presently coming within the limits of B.B.M.P. Ward No.17/ J.P. Park, Bengaluru, admeasuring **East to West 35 feet and North to South 40 feet , totally measuring 1400 sft,** together with common passage of **East to West 30 feet and North to South 10 feet** existing RCC roofed building on the ground and 1st floor bounded on:

East by: Northern side property belonging to M.G.Suresh, on the southern side measuring east to west 30 feet and north to south 10 feet Eastern side passage, left exclusively to Sri.M.G.Suresh, **West by:** Site bearing No. 20, **North by:** Site bearing No. 2, **South by:** Site bearing No. 4

Address for service
Rajendra.S.Angadi, Angadi Associates
S.V.Angadi, Sujata.S.Angadi, Rajendra.S.Angadi Advocate,
No.24, Pipeline Main Road, Next to 7th B Cross, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru-560 003.
Mob: 98452-92045, Ph No: 080-23314922, rsangadi@gmail.com

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank

Bengaluru South End Circle Branch,
96, South End Road, South End Circle, Bengaluru- 560004
Email: cb1173@canarabank.com

SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the secured creditors, the **possession** of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Canara Bank, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis on 04.11.2025 from 11.30 a.m. to 12.00 p.m.** [with unlimited extension of 5 minutes duration each till the conclusion of sale], for recovery of **Rs.2,54,68,582/-** (Rupees Two Crore Fifty Four lakhs Sixty Eight thousand Five Hundred Eighty Two Only) plus further interest thereon **from 04.08.2025** and other expenses due to Canara Bank from **Sri. Srinivas Burra.**

Full description of the immovable property, Reserve Price, EMD, Outstanding Dues if any are as under:-

DETAILS AND FULL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY(IES) **(Rs.in lacs)**

Lot	Description of the Immovable assets	Reserve Price	EMD	Incremental Value
1.	**SCHEDULE "A" PROPERTY:**All that piece and parcel of the Property being the Vacant Site bearing No.334 in Converted Survey No.23/2 situated at Kasavanahalli Village, vide Conversion Order No.B.DIS.ALN.SR(S).388/1991-92, dated 14.05.1992 issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bengaluru District and Converted Survey No.35, vide Conversion Order No.B.DIS.ALN.SR.(S).365/1991-92, dated 22.05.1992 issued by the Deputy Commissioner of Bengaluru District situated at Junna Sandra Village, Varthur Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, now comes under jurisdiction of Doddakennahalli Village Panchayath Area, Bengaluru South Taluk, measuring East to West 80 Feet and North to South 50 Feet totally measuring 4,000 Square Feet and bounded:_On the East: 50 feet Road, On the West: Site No. 344 and 345 , On the North: Site No. 333, On the South: Site No. 335 **SCHEDULE "B" PROPERTY:** 378 Square Feet undivided share, right. Title and interest in the Schedule 'A' Property. **SCHEDULE "C" PROPERTY:** All that piece and parcel of the Residential Apartment bearing Flat No.101 in the Ground Floor in the Residential Apartment Complex known as K.R.RESIDENCY constructed on the Schedule 'A' Property having a Super Built Up Area measuring 1,200 Square Feet including proportionate share in common areas, such as, passages, lobbies, staircase, lifts, etc., alongwith One Covered Car Parking Space	80.75 Lakhs	8.075 Lakhs	1.00 Lakhs

The EMD should be deposited on or before 03.11.2025 up to 5.00 pm
The property will not be sold below the Reserve Price.
For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in https://www.canarabank.com/english/announcements/sale-notice/karnataka/ provided on the Secured Creditors' Website i.e www.canarabank.com. or may contact Chief Manager, South End Road Branch, Bangalore, Ph. No. 9976633313, 080- 22447997, 8334999471 during office hours on any working day.

Place: Bangalore
Date: 16.10.2025

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Canara Bank

PUBLIC NOTICE

General public are hereby notified that our client Smt. KR. Vijayalakshmi, aged 69 years W/o Sri. H. Ragupathi, R/at. No.37, Thambuchetty Road, Cox Town, Bangalore 560005, is the owner of All that piece and parcel of vacant Site No.49, having Katha No.188, E-Katha No.6980026912 Assessement No.4/3 and 133, Situated at Bileshivale Village, KR Puram Hobli, Bangalore south Raluk presently within the limits of BBMP, and bounded on :-

East By : Site No.50, West By : Site No.48, North By : Road, South By : Private property

That our client has lost the original Gift Deed dated 02/07/2024 and registered on 03/07/2024 as doc No.BNS-1-05861/2024-25 of Book-1 in the office of Sub Registrar, Banaswadi pertaining to the above property and that any one finds may kindly return it to the undersigned counsel and if any third parties are misusing the original document by making false representations to the third parties, the same shall not be binding on our client and if any third parties are dealing based on the original documents then they are at their own risk. Except our clients, nobody have got any right, title or interest in any manner with respect of the above stated property.

Mohan H.S, Advocate
No.5/1, 1st Floor,1st Cross,
Vasanthnagar, Bangalore-560052

KERALA SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PROJECT (KSWMP)

LOCAL SELF GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENT, GOVERNMENT OF' KERALA

REQUEST FOR BIDS

The Project Director, Kerala Solid Waste Management Project (KSWMP) under LSGD, intends to invite the following:

Sl No	Activity	Tender Documents available from
1	Remediation of legacy waste dumpsite (approx. 2,30,995 m3 of waste over 17.5 acres) at Njeliyanparamba, Kozhikode,Kerala	14/10/2025
2	30 TPD Bio - CNG Facility, including collection and transportation services of biodegradable waste located at Changanassery Municipality, Kottayam, Kerala.	15/10/2025

Interested eligible contractors, technology suppliers and operators are requested to visit www.kswmp.org and the electronic-procurement portal of Government of Kerala https://etenders.kerala.gov.in for more details.

Project Director - KSWMP

Upper Ground Floor, Trans Towers, Vazhuthacaud, Thiruvananthapuram -14, Kerala, India, Telephone: 0471-2333011; E-Mail:tenderskswmp@gmail.com

D3/774/2025/I&PRD

PUBLIC NOTICE

OF LOST DOCUMENT

I, **Mahesh Korula Mamman,** S/o Mamman Philip, Aged about 66 years, currently R/a Flat No.114, Nidus Apartment, No.9, Drafadila Layout, 4th Cross, Koramangala, Bangalore, have **lost the original Sale Deed dated:15/02/2000**, Registered as Document No:BKI-1-7970-2000-01, which was registered at the office of the Sub Registrar, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore in respect of the below mentioned Schedule 'D' property and the same has been lost on 25/09/2025 at Flat No.114, Nidus Apartment, No.9, Drafadila Layout, 4th Cross, Koramangala, Bangalore. I have lodged a Police Complaint for lost article on 16/10/2025 under acknowledgment issued by the Bengaluru City Police, bearing SL No. 1855358, Lost Report No. 1855358/2025.

If any person/s found the said sale deed, please come forward with in a period of 7 days from the date of publication of this notice and hand over the same to the under signed. If anyone has already carried out any transaction or any transaction is in the process of being carried out using the missing document, kindly inform the undersigned party in writing at the below mentioned address within 07 days from this paper publication.

SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing House List No. 225, Srinivagalu Village, assessed under the Jakkasandra Group Panchayat, Khata No. 75, Srinivagalu assessed under the Madivala Notified Area Committee, now known as and bearing Corporation No. 9, situated in Drafadila Layout, Srinivagalu Village in Corporation Ward No. 68, Bangalore, totally measuring 43,030 sft. and bounded by:

On the East : Private Property measuring 363'3", **On the West** : Private Property measuring 360'6", **On the North** : Private Property and Schedule 'B' Property measuring 128'8", **On the South**: Road measuring 128'8".

SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing No. 13, situated in Drafadila Layout, Srinivagalu Village, Corporation Ward No. 68, Bangalore, admeasuring East to West 24' and North to South 60' (totally measuring 1,440 sft) and bounded by:

On the East : Private Property, **On the West** : Private Property, **On the North** : Private Property, **On the South** : Schedule 'A' Property. The total extent of Schedule 'A' and Schedule 'B' Properties is 44,470 sft.

SCHEDULE 'C' PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the proposed composite multi storied building comprising of Residential Apartments on the Schedule 'A' and Schedule 'B' Properties constituting the basement, ground and four upper floors along with the terrace together with all infrastructure and services.

SCHEDULE 'D' PROPERTY

370.13/44470 undivided share, right, title and interest in Schedule 'A' and Schedule 'B' Properties.

Mahesh Korula Mamman,
Flat No. 114, Nidus Apartments,
No.9, Drafadila Layout, 4th Cross,
Koramangala, Bangalore-560047.

THE HUTTI GOLD MINES COMPANY LIMITED

(A Government of Karnataka Undertaking)
Hutti-584115, Raichur Dist, Karnataka State, Tele: 08537-275463, 276339,
e-Mail: material276339@gmail.com Website: www.huttigold.karnataka.gov.in

TENDER NOTIFICATION No. 19/25-26 Dt: 19.10.2025

(Through KPP Portal only)

Tenders are invited by "The Senior Manager (Materials)" for the following Tenders, detailed below:

Sl. No.	Description	EMD in Rs.
1	Compressive operation, maintenance and security contract (CAOMSC) for 3 Nos. of 1.5 MW and 1 No. of 2.1 MW WTGs of Suzlon make. **HGML/2024-25/SE0042/CALL-2**	6,63,000/-
2	Compressive operation, maintenance and security contract (CAOMSC) for its 4.8 MW (0.6 MW X 8 Nos.) WTG of Vestas RRB make. **HGML/2024-25/SE0043/CALL-2**	4,30,000/-
3	Tender for Providing Human resources Services to Sand project sites of HGML. **HGML/2025-26/SE0062**	3,18,000/-

Calendar of events: **(1)** Pre-Bid Meetings (Zoom): **25.10.2025 for Sl.No.1, 2 & 3 at 10.00 AM.** Last date for receipt of tender: **01.11.2025 at 4.00 PM. (3)** Opening of Technical Bid on: **03.11.2025 at 10.00 AM.** For further details interested bidders are advised to logon to website **https://www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in** or contact the office of undersigned during working hours. For participating in the above tender bidder needs to be registered in KPP Portal.

Sd/- Senior Manager (Materials)

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Telephone numbers: 080-25310181, E-mail: cb6298@canarabank.com

POSSESSION NOTICE [Section 13(4)] (For Immovable property)

Whereas: The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the **Canara Bank** under Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **28.07.2025** calling upon the Borrower/s **M/s. Cerebra Integrated Technologies Limited,** At it's registered address, S-5, Off 3rd Cross, Peenya Industrial Area, Peenya 1st Stage, Bengaluru, Karnataka-560058, **M/s Cerebra Integrated Technology Pvt ltd.,** Plot Nos: 41 to 46, KIADB Industrial Area, Narasapura, Appasandra Village, Narasapura Hobli, Kolar District -563133 And Represented by; Whole Time Director Vishwamurthy Phalanetra,PAN- AANPV2162M Managing Director, Ranganathan Venkatraman PAN- ABOPR2170F Vishwamurthy Phalanetra, 22A, Vanasuma, 3rd Stage, 4th Block, Basaveshwaranagar, Bangalore -560079 (Director and Personal Guarantor) Ranganathan Venkatraman, 90, 3rd Cross, West of Chord Road, Sri Venkateshwarakripa Layout, Bangalore-560079, **(Director and Personal Guarantor) Late Shridhar Shankar Hegde,** Through his legal Heirs Namely Mrs. Madhu Hegde, Ajeet Hegde, Ajay Hegde, & Others, Rajaji Nagar 3rd Block Bengaluru to repay the amount mentioned in the notice, being **Rs. 23,00,14,145.59 (Rupees Twenty three crore Fourteen lakhs one hundred forty five and fifty nine paise only) as on 27.07.2025 and interest & charges thereon** + further Interest and charges thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower and guarantors having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken Symbolic Possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13 (4) of the said Act, read with Rule 8 & 9 of the said Rule on this **17th October of 2025.**

The borrower and guarantors in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **Canara Bank** for an amount of **Rs. 23,00,14,145.59 (Rupees Twenty three crore Fourteen lakhs one hundred forty five and fifty nine paise only) as on 27.07.2025** and interest & charges thereon.+ further Interest and charges thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-Section 13 (8) of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Description of the movable Property

Name of Title Holder : M/s Cerebra Integrated Technologies Ltd.,
Hypothecated Stocks, Book Debts ,Machineries, Furniture & Fixtures & Fitting as per Common Hypothecated Agreement executed by the Company and kept at S-5, Off 3rd Cross Peenya Industrial Area, Peenya 1st Stage Bengaluru-560058, Plot Nos: 41 to 46, KIADB Industrial Area, Narasapura, Appasandra Village, Narasapura Hobli, Kolar District -563133 and other places as per record with the Bank.

Description of the Immovable Property

Name of Title Holder : M/s Cerebra Integrated Technologies Ltd., .Free hold).
SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of immovable property (land and shed constructed thereon) bearing municipal No. S-5, PID No. 11-149-S, 3rd Cross, 1st stage, Peenya Industrial Area, Bangalore Measuring: East to West 25 mtrs, North to South 20.15 mtrs, Totally measuring 5420 Sq ft, Bounded on the:-East By: Plot No S-4, West By: Service Road, North By : Shed No. SB-163 and 164, South By: Conservancy and HT power Line.

Name of Title Holder : M/s Cerebra Integrated Technologies Ltd., (Lease Hold Rights as per lease deed executed by KIDB).
Schedule 'B' Property : (Description of Project Land) : All that piece and parcel of Industrial Plot Nos. 41 to 46, carved out of Sy Nos parts of 22 and 23 situated at Narsapura Industrial area, Appasandra village, NarasapuraHobli Kolar Taluk, Kolar District admeasuring 48564 Sq mtrs or 12 acres (measuring East 79.34 + 89.69 +202.72) mtrs, West 359.69 mtrs. North 178.50 mtrs and south 134.08 mtrs. East by: KIADB buffer, West By: Road No 1, North by: Road No 4, South by: Plot No 46p.

Date : 17.10.2025
Place : Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorized Officer
Canara Bank

IDFC FIRST Bank Limited

(erstwhile Capital First Limited and amalgamated with IDFC Bank Limited)
CIN : L65110TN2014PLC097792
Registered Office: KRM Towers, 8th Floor, Harrington Road, Chetpet, Chennai - 600031.
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IDFC FIRST Bank

APPENDIX IV [Rule 8(1)] POSSESSION NOTICE (For immovable property)

Whereas the undersigned being the authorized officer of **IDFC First Bank Limited (erstwhile Capital First Limited and amalgamated with IDFC Bank Limited)** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) of the said Act read with [rule 3] of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notices calling upon the Borrower/ Co-borrowers and Guarantors to repay the amount mentioned in the demand notice appended below within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice together with further interest and other charges from the date of demand notice till payment/realization.

The Borrower/ Co-Borrowers/ Guarantors having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower/ Co-Borrowers/ Guarantors and public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under sub-section (4) of Section 13 of the Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this notice.

Loan Account Number	Borrower/s/ Co-borrower/s & Guarantors Name	Description of The Mortgaged Properties	Demand Notice Date	Demand Notice Outstanding Amount (Rs.)	Date and Type of Possession Taken
84926818 & 139384486	1. Nisarahmed A, 2. Abida J,	All That Piece And Parcel Of The Property Bearing Khata No. 279/5, E-khata Property No.15080020010010376, Measuring To An Extent Of East To West: 7.62 Meters And North To South: 7.01 Meters, In Total Measuring 53.41 Sq. Meters And Thereon Building Measuring 53.41.sq. Meters, Situated At Begur Village, Begur Hobli, Under The Limits Of Begur Grama Panchayathi, Gundlupet Taluk, Chamarajanagara District. Karnataka-571109, And Bounded As: **East By : Site Of Khadar Peer, West By : House Of Kumar, North By : Pathway Road, South By : Site Of Girishetty.**	10.05.2025	Rs. 10,55,714.14/-	13.10.2025 Possession
84927843	1. Gavimaniyamma M, 2. Mahadevappa C	All The Piece And Parcel Of The Property Bearing Assessment No. 1006, Janjer No. 1194,, E-khata Property No.150800201000320470, Measuring To An Extent Of East To West: 8.53 Meters And North To South: 10.97 Meters, In Total Measuring 93.57 Sq. Meters, And Thereon Building Measuring 64.99.sq. Meters, Situated At Bommalapura Village, Hangala Hobli, Under The Limits Of Bommalapura Grama Panchayathi, Gundlupete Taluk, Chamarajanagara District, Karnataka -571111, And Bounded As : **East : Road, West : Site Of Grama Panchayathi, North : Road, South : House Of Nanjappa North: Road, South : House Of Nanjappa, West: Site Of Grama Panchayathi, East : Road.**	25.06.2025	Rs. 4,92,801.66/-	13.10.2025 Possession
100105510 & 129104244	1. Gowramma S, 2. Siddanaika D	All That Piece And Parcel Of The Property Bearing Katha No. 117a, Unique Id No. 15080020120020123, Measuring To An Extent Of East To West: 14.63 Meters And North To South: 11.27 Meters, In Total Measuring 164.99 Sq. Meters, And Thereon Building Measurement 164.99 Sq. Meters, And Thereon Building Measurement 164.99 Sq. Mtrs., Situated At Kotekere Village, Kotekere Grama Panchayathi, Beguru Hobli, Gundlupet Taluk Chamarajanagara District, Karnatakka-571109, And Bounded As : **North : Road, South : Gopalaswamy Temple, West : House Of Siddarajanayaka, East : Road.**	04.06.2025	Rs. 8,46,335.70/-	13.10.2025 Possession
89602031	1. Ningamani R 2. Ramappa S	All That Piece And Parcel Of The Property Bearing Khata No. 693, E-khata Property No. 15080020190052079, Measuring To An Extent Of East To West: 9.14 Meters And North To South: 12.19 Meters, In Total Measuring 111,41 Sq. Meters, Situated At Kodasoge Village, Terakanambi Hobli, Under The Limits Of Kodasoge Grama Panchayathi, Gundlupet Taluk, Chamarajanagara District, Karnataka-571111, And Bounded As: **East By : Site Of Siddappana Ramappa And Road, West By : Site Of Ganesh S/o Ramappa, North By : Site Of Siddappana Ramappa, South By : Site Of Ramalingappa S/o Gurumallappa And Galli.**	25/06/2025	Rs. 9,70,811.50/-	13.10.2025 Possession

The Borrower/ Co-borrowers/ Guarantors in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **IDFC First Bank Limited (erstwhile Capital First Limited and amalgamated with IDFC Bank Limited)** for an amount mentioned in the demand notice together with further interest and other charges from the date of demand notice till payment/realization.

Sd/-
Authorised Officer
IDFC First Bank Limited
(erstwhile Capital First Limited and amalgamated with IDFC Bank Limited)

Date : 13.10.2025
Place : Chamarajanagara, Karnataka

AXIS BANK

Plot No. 41, Seshadri Road, Anand Rao Circle, Bangalore-560009

POSSESSION NOTICE

See Rule - 8(1)
(For Immovable Property)

Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of **Axis Bank Ltd.,** under The Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 had issued a Demand Notices calling upon the Borrowers / Mortgagors / Guarantors to repay the amount mentioned In the notice within **60 days** from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrowers / Mortgagors / Guarantors having failed to repay the amount, Notice is hereby given to the Borrowers / Guarantor / Mortgagors and the Public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 6 & 8 of the said Rules on below mentioned dates.

The borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub Section (8) of Section 13 of the SARFAESI Act, 2002 in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

The Borrowers / Mortgagors / Guarantors in particular and the Public in General are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charges of the **Axis Bank Ltd.,** for an amount interest and Other Charges mentioned below.

1. Name and Address of the Borrower / Co-Borrower / Mortgagor / Guarantor : (1) Mrs. Geetha B P W/o Girish **(Borrower/Applicant), (2) Mr. Girish MN** S/o Nirmal Swamy **(Co-Applicant/ Guarantor), Both are residing at:** # 919, 18th Cross, 1st Stage, Kumaraswamy Layout, Near Kalabyraveshwara Temple, Bangalore-560111. **Also At: Mrs. Geetha B P** W/o Girish Proprietor Gajanana Traders, No.43/1, Kudlu Gate, Behind Bescom Office, Hosur Main Road, Aishwarya Crystal Layout, Electronic City Bangalore-560108. **Also At: Mrs. Geetha B P** W/o Girish, Proprietor Gajanana Traders, No.43/1, Kudlu Gate, Behind Bescom Office, Hosur Main Road, Bangalore-560068.
Loan A/c No : LTR000908794677
Total amount mentioned in the notice : Rs. 61,10,863 /- (Rupees Sixty One Lakh Ten Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty Three Only) being the amount due as on **02.07.2025** and interest thereon.
Demand Notice Dated : 02.07.2025 **Possession Notice Dated : 16.10.2025**
Description Of Mortgaged Property: Schedule
All that Part and Parcel of the Muncipal No.919, PID No.55-293-919, 18th Cross Road, 1st Stage, Kumaraswamy Layout Bangalore-560078 Measuring 685 sq ft together with all buildings and structures there on fixtures fittings and all plant and Machinery attached to the earth or permanently fastened to anything attached to the earth both present and future and Bounded as follows: East by : Road, West by : Road, North by : Road, South by : Portion of Same Property.
For any clarification, please contact Mr. Prem A in Mobile No. 918880041234.

2. Name and Address of the Borrower / Co-Borrower / Mortgagor / Guarantor : (1) Mr. Girish MN S/o Nirmav Swamy **(Borrower/Applicant), (2) Mrs. Geetha B P** W/o Girish **(Co-Applicant/ Guarantor), Both are residing at:** No.150, Samruddhi Enclave, 3rd Main JP Nagar Post, Bangalore-560079. **Also At:** No.120, 6th A Cross, 1st Main, KS Layout Bangalore-560078. **Also At:** Proprietor Gajanana Traders, No.43/1, Kudlu Gate, Behind Bescom Office, Hosur Main Road, Bangalore-560068.
Loan A/c No : PHR056103057452
Total amount mentioned in the notice : Rs. 83,78,069 /- (Rupees Eighty Three Lakh Seventy Eight Thousand Sixty Nine Only) being the amount due as on **02.07.2025** and interest thereon.
Demand Notice Dated : 02.07.2025 **Possession Notice Dated : 16.10.2025**
Description Of Mortgaged Property: Schedule
All that Part and Parcel of the Sy No.181, Prop No.919, 18th Cross, 1st Stage Kumaraswamy Layout Bangalore 560078 Measuring 685 sq ft together with all buildings and structures there on fixtures fittings and all plant and Machinery attached to the earth or permanently fastened to anything attached to the earth both present and future and Bounded as follows: East by: Road, West by : Road, North by : Road, South by : Portion of Same Property.
For any clarification, please contact Mr. Prem A in Mobile No. 918880041234.

3. Name and Address of the Borrower / Co-Borrower / Mortgagor / Guarantor : (1) Mr.Kalki Devan M S/o. Mr. Markandeyan **(Borrower/Applicant),** 409, Nanda Vanam, 9th Cross, Gandhipuram, Whitefield, Bangalore-560066. **Also at :** Khata No.419, 420, 421, Nanda Vanam 9th Cross, Gandhipuram, Whitefield, Near Church, Bangalore-560066. **(2) Ms.S Parvathi** D/o.Mr.Markandeyan **(Co-Applicant/Guarantor),** 502,1st Street, AKG Colony, K. Channaasandra,Bangalore, Yellamma Temple,Bangalore-560067. **Also at:** Khata No.419, 420, 421, Nanda Vanam 9th Cross, Gandhipuram, Whitefield, Near Church, Bangalore-560066.
Loan A/c No :LPR051409324124.
Total amount mentioned in the notice : Rs. 74,52,738 /- (Rupees Seventy Four Lakh Fifty Two Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty Eight Only) being the amount due as on **19.07.2025** and interest thereon.
Demand Notice Dated : 19.07.2025 **Possession Notice Dated : 17.10.2025**
Description Of Mortgaged Property: Schedule
Description Of The Property Belongs To Mr. Kalki Devan M
Item no.1 : All the piece and parcel of property bearing no.419, Old katha no.358/306, BBMP katha no.314/306/419, situated af Gandhipura, Hagadur Dhakle, Krishnarajapuram Hobil, Bangalore East Taluk, BBMP Ward no.84, Bangalore, measuring East to West: 50 ft. and North to South: 30 ft., totally measuring 1500 Sq.ft. and bounded as follows: On the East : Road, West by : Site No.408, North : Site no.420, South by : Site no.418.
Item no.2 : All the piece and parcel of property bearing no.420, Old katha no.458/394, BBMP katha no.408/394/420, situated at Gandhipura, Hagadur Dhakle, Krishnarajapuram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, BBMP Ward no.84. Bangalore, measuring East to West: 50 ft. and North to South: 30 ft., totally measuring 1500 Sq.ft., together with RCC roofed house consisting thereon and bounded as follows: On the East : Road, West by : Site no.409, North : Site no.421, South : Site no.419.
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For any clarification, please contact Mr. Prem Mobile No. 8880041234.

Date : 17.10.2025
Place : Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Axis Bank

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The General Public are hereby informed that my client has intended to purchase, **Agricultural Dry Land bearing Survey No. 63 of Lakkasandra Village, Kasaba Hobli, Ramanagara Taluk & District, measuring 04 Acres 03 Guntas, inclusive of 0.03 Guntas of Karab, assessed with land revenue of Rs. 5.88**, morefully described in the Schedule hereunder for valuable consideration from owner namely, **Sri. N. VIJAY KUMAR JAIN S/o Navarathanamal Jain.** Any person/s objecting for the proposed purchase or having any right in the Schedule Property may lodge their objections and/or claims to the undersigned along with the supporting documentary evidences **within 07 (Seven) days** from the date of this publication, and any objections or claims received thereafter will not be taken for consideration and my client will proceed to purchase the Schedule Property as if there are no claimant/s or objections from any person/s.

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Pakistan and Afghan Taliban to conduct high-level talks in Doha to ease tensions

ISLAMABAD

THE Pakistan government on Saturday confirmed that a high-level delegation led by Pakistan Defence Minister Khawaja Asif will hold talks with representatives of the Afghan Taliban in Doha, where Qatar is facilitating dialogue between the two sides amid rising border tensions.

The meeting, scheduled later in the day, comes amidst Pakistan launching fresh air strikes targeting terrorist hideouts in Afghanistan late Friday, hours after Islamabad and Kabul extended their two-day ceasefire that had temporarily halted hostilities between the two sides. Three Afghan cricketers were among several people killed in the strikes, which followed a terror attack at a military installation in North Waziristan, claimed by Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan (TTP).

The negotiations led by Asif will primarily focus on "immediate measures to end cross-border terrorism against Pakistan emanating from Afghanistan and restore peace and stability along the Pak-Afghan border', the Foreign Office said in a social media post. "Pakistan does not seek escalation," it said, urging the Afghan Taliban to 'honour their commitments to the international community and address Pakistan's legitimate security concerns by taking verifiable action against terrorist entities, including the TTP and BLA (Balochistan Liberation Army).'

The Foreign Office appreciated Qatar's mediation efforts and expressed hope that the discussions would help promote peace and stability in the region. Earlier in the day, Taliban spokesperson Zabiullah Mujahid, in a social media post, said that a high-level delegation of the Islamic Emirate, led by Defence Minister Maulvi Muhammad Yaqub Mujahid, has left for Doha to engage with the Pakistani side.

The talks follow rising cross-border attacks from militants in Afghanistan, straining Pakistan-Afghanistan ties. *PTI*

Locals dig graves for people killed in a cross-border airstrike by the Pakistani army in Afghanistan's eastern Paktika province | AP

Pak strikes in Afghan threaten fragile ceasefire

Islamabad: Pakistan launched fresh air strikes targeting terrorist hideouts in Afghanistan, casting a shadow over the expected talks in Doha amid a fragile ceasefire that had temporarily halted hostilities between the two sides. The strikes followed a gun-and-bomb attack by terrorists at a military installation in North Waziristan, and just hours after Islamabad and Kabul extended their two-day ceasefire, the Dawn reported on Saturday. The Hafiz Gul Bahadur faction of TTP claimed Friday's attack on Khaddi Fort in Mir Ali; Pakistan's military made no comment.

FILE: Shipping containers are stacked at Pasir Panjang port terminal | AFP

US, China set for another round of trade talks

Officials agree to meet next week to ease tensions over rare earth minerals and trade

BEIJING

CHINA and the United States agreed Saturday to conduct another round of trade negotiations in the coming week, as the world's two biggest economies seek to avoid another damaging tit-for-tat tariff battle.

Beijing last week announced sweeping controls on the critical rare earths industry, prompting US President Donald Trump to threaten 100 percent tariffs on imports from China in retaliation. Trump had also threatened to cancel his expected meeting with Chinese counterpart Xi Jinping in South Korea later this month on the sidelines of the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) summit.

In the latest indication of efforts to resolve their dispute, Chinese state media reported that Vice Premier He Lifeng and US Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent had "candid, in-depth and constructive exchanges" during a Saturday morning call, and that both sides agreed to hold a new round of trade talks "as soon as possible". On social media, Bessent described the call as "frank and detailed", and said they would meet "in-person next week to continue our discussions". Bessent had previously accused China of seeking to harm the rest of the world by tightening restrictions rare earths, which are critical to everything from smartphones to guided missiles. US Trade Representative Jamieson Greer also participated in the call, according to the report by Chinese state news agency Xinhua.

Hours before the call, Fox News released excerpts of an interview with Trump in which he said he would meet Xi at the APEC summit after all.

Trump told the outlet that the 100 percent tariff on goods from China was not sustainable."It's not sustainable, but that's what the number is... They forced me to do that," he said. The high-level video call came as Washington worked to rally Group of Seven finance ministers in response to the latest Chinese export controls. For now, the G7 ministers have agreed to coordinate a short-term response and diversify suppliers, the EU's economy commissioner Valdis Dombrovskis told reporters in Washington.

Speaking after the grouping met this week, Dombrovskis noted the vast majority of rare earth supplies come from China, meaning that diversification could take years. *AFP*

Nepal's Gen Z to form political party, set terms for poll fray

KATHMANDU

NEPAL's Gen Z group on Saturday announced that it will establish a political party, but said its participation in next year's general election depends on the fulfilment of certain "bottom-line" conditions.

Elections in the Himalayan nation are slated to take place on March 5, 2026. The youth-led group led protests against corruption and a government ban on social media sites last month, resulting in the ouster of the K P Sharma Oli-led government.

Led by Miraj Dhungana, one of the leaders of the recent Gen Z movement, the group unveiled its agenda in a press conference here. They asserted that although they are considering forming a political party to bring together the Gen-Z youths, they will not contest the election until their "bottom line" demands are addressed.

The group has been primarily advocating for two key agendas: a directly elected executive system and voting rights for Nepali citizens residing abroad. According to Dhungana, his group has decided that the formation of a political party is essential to unite the youths associated with the Gen-Z movement. While disclosing their agenda, Dhungana underscored the formation of a citizen-led investigation committee for corruption control and the adoption of a clear policy on economic transformation.

"We will continue to fight for issues like promoting good governance, transparency and checking corruption. We will not let the sacrifices of Gen-Z youths go in vain," he said, calling for collective commitment and cooperation from all sides in the nation-building task.

He added that they are currently collecting suggestions for an 'appropriate' name for the new party. Stating that the Himalayan nation's economic development has stagnated due to the increasing exodus of Nepali youths going abroad for employment, he said that the past governments should be held responsible for addressing such pressing issues. *PTI*

ASIA MATTERS

MORE SCRUTINY ON FREE MEAL INITIATIVE

The involvement of the military and police in President Prabowo Subianto's flagship free nutritious meal programme has come under scrutiny following a food poisoning crisis and missed targets. Critics are now calling for a complete overhaul of the initiative. In September, over 11,000 children fell ill after consuming contaminated meals

2 suspects in British Sikh woman's rape held

LONDON

TWO people, a man and a woman, have been arrested on suspicion of the racially aggravated rape of a British Sikh woman in Oldbury, in the West Midlands region of England last month.

West Midlands Police said on Friday that the arrests were made in connection with a second rape of a woman in her 30s at Halesowen in the same county on Thursday night, which is not being treated as racially aggravated.

The pair were later additionally arrested in connection with the attack on the British Sikh woman in her 20s who reported being sexually assaulted at Tame Road in Oldbury, Sandwell, on September 9.

"A 49-year-old man and a 65-year-old woman from Sandwell were arrested this morning on suspicion of rape," the police said.

"We were called at around 7pm (local time Thursday) after a woman in her 30s reported she has been attacked in Hurst Green Park. This incident is not being treated as racially aggravated. The man and woman have this afternoon (Friday) subsequently been arrested in connection with a rape on Tame Road, Oldbury on Tuesday, September 9. They remain in custody for questioning," the statement said. *PTI*

Massive fire in the cargo area halts ops at Dhaka airport

DHAKA

A massive fire broke out on Saturday at the cargo complex of the international airport in Bangladesh's capital, forcing authorities to suspend all flight operations as thick black smoke engulfed the area. There were no immediate reports of casualties. Civil Aviation Authority of Bangladesh (CAAB) said the blaze broke out in the afternoon at the Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport, prompting the deployment of over two dozen firefighting units, with additional teams rushing to the scene. "We received the information at 2.30 pm and immediately dispatched our units to join the ones deployed at the airport," Fire Service spokesman Talha Bin Zasim said.

Thirty-six firefighting units are engaged in the operation, he said. CAAB officials said the Air Force's fire units also joined the rescue campaign. "Landings and takeoffs of all aircraft have been suspended until further notice. All our aircraft are confirmed safe," a CAAB spokesperson said.

At least nine flights of different airlines scheduled to land in Dhaka were diverted to Shah Amanat International Airport in southeastern Chattogram and Osmani International Airport in northeastern Sylhet. Eight of them landed in Chattogram and one in Sylhet.

According to local media reports, chemicals stored in the cargo zone posed a major challenge for firefighters. Eyewitnesses said personnel from the army, air force, navy, and Border Guard Bangladesh (BGB) joined the firefighting and rescue efforts. They described the fire as a major one, with thick smoke covering a large part of the airport and surrounding areas. *PTI*

EXPRESS READ

Nobel laureate Chen Ning Yang dies aged 103

Gu Chen Ning Yang, a scientist and recipient of the Nobel Prize for Physics, died on Saturday in Beijing at the age of 103, Chinese state media said. His death was attributed only to "illness" in a report by state broadcaster CCTV. Born in Hefei in the eastern Chinese province of Anhui, Yang moved to the United States in the 1940s. He held various teaching positions, obtaining US citizenship before giving it up in 2015. Yang shared his 1957 Nobel with his colleague Tsung-Dao Lee for their joint work in upsetting the principle of conservation of parity as a fundamental law of nuclear physics.

Frustrated Trump tells Russia, Ukraine to 'stop where they are and go home'

WASHINGTON

US President Donald Trump late on Friday called on Kyiv and Moscow to "stop where they are" and end their brutal war, following a lengthy White House meeting with Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy.

Trump's frustration with the conflict has surfaced repeatedly in the nine months since he returned to office. With his latest comments, he edged back in the direction of pressing Ukraine to give up on retaking land it has lost to Russia.

"Enough blood has been shed, with property lines being defined by War and Guts," Trump said in a Truth Social post not long after hosting Zelenskyy and his team for more than two hours of talks. "They should stop where they are. Let both claim Victory, let History decide!" Later, soon after arriving in Florida, where he is spending the weekend, Trump urged both sides to "stop the war immediately" and implied that Moscow keep territory it has taken from Kyiv.

"You go by the battle line wherever it is—otherwise it is too complicated," Trump told reporters. "You stop at the battle line and both sides should go home, stop the killing, and that should be it."

The comments amounted to another shift in position on the war by Trump. In recent weeks, he had shown growing impatience with Russian President Vladimir Putin and expressed greater openness to helping Ukraine win the war.

After meeting with Zelenskyy in New York on the sidelines of the annual UN General Assembly last month, Trump even said he believed the Ukrainians could win back all the territory they lost to Russia. That was a dramatic shift for Trump, who had previously insisted Kyiv would have to concede land lost to Russia. *AFP*

Donald Trump welcomes Volodymyr Zelenskyy to White House on Friday | AP

Book on Singapore Bengali clan launched

A book highlighting the Bengali community's long-standing contribution to Singapore's multicultural heritage was launched in the city-state. Minister of State for Culture, Community and Youth Dinesh Vasu Dash on Thursday launched the book, Echoes of Bengal in the Lion City: Glimpses of the Bengali Diaspora in Singapore, published by the Tagore Society. The anthology traces the history of the community in Singapore through literature, music, film.

Abhisit back as conservative party leader in Thailand

Thailand's oldest political party voted Saturday to reinstate as its leader a conservative ex-premier who led the country during a bloody military crackdown on "Red Shirts" protesters. Abhisit Vejjajiva, who led Thailand from 2008 to 2011 during the global financial crisis, gained early popularity for his eloquent debating style. Party members voted with 96% support to reinstate him

Palestinian toll tops 68,000 as more bodies returned

TEL AVIV

MORE than 68,000 Palestinians have been killed in the Israel-Hamas war, Gaza's Health Ministry said on Saturday.

The ministry said the number of dead has climbed since the ceasefire went into effect more than a week ago.

Israel returned the bodies of 15 Palestinians to Gaza on Saturday, bringing the total number handed over to 135, the health ministry in the Hamas-run territory said.

Meanwhile, Israel said that the remains of another hostage that Hamas handed over the day before were identified as Eliyahu Margalit.

Israel's Prime Minister's Office said Saturday that Margalit's body was identified after testing by the National Center for Forensic Medicine and his family has been notified. The 76-year-old was abducted on October 7, 2023, when Hamas attacked Israel, from the horse stables where he worked in Kibbutz Nir Oz.

Margalit is the 10th returned hostage body since the ceasefire went into effect over a week ago. Hamas handed over an 11th body this week, but it wasn't that of a hostage.

The effort to find the remains followed a warning from U.S. President Donald Trump that he would green-light Israel to resume the war if Hamas doesn't live up to its end of the deal and return all hostages' bodies, totaling 28.

The handover of hostages' remains, called for under the ceasefire agreement, has been among the key sticking points —along with aid deliveries, the opening of border crossings into Gaza and hopes for reconstruction — in a process backed by much of the international community to help end two years of war in Gaza.

Hamas has said it is committed to the terms of the ceasefire deal, including the handover of bodies.

However, the retrieval of bodies is hampered by the scope of the devastation and the presence of dangerous, unexploded ordnance.

Meanwhile, the Rafah border crossing between Gaza and Egypt will reopen Monday for people returning to Gaza, the Palestinian embassy in Egypt said Saturday, but the territory's sole gateway to the outside world will remain closed to people trying to leave. *AP*

PUBLIC NOTICE

Sri. CHERISH .G, S/o G Janardhana Naidu, Aged 34 years, Residing at No.474/1, 8 TH Main Road, BEML 5 TH stage, Rajarajeshwarinagar, Bengaluru-98, Aadhar No. 767529863294, represents that he is the absolute owner of Flat No.301, Second Floor of the Apartment Building known as "SAI LAKSHMI PARADISE", constructed on Site No.139, old Katha No.14/2B, present BBMP Katha No.191/14/2B/139, BBMP 'E' Aasthi PID No.6026788105, measuring East to West 60 feet and North to South 40 feet, totally measuring 2400 Sq ft. situated at: Arehalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk,

Bangalore, The said Flat has built-up area of 1900 Sq. ft., and 600 Sq.ft. of Undivided share, right, title and interest in the land consisting of Hall, Pooja Room, Kitchen, Dining, Three bed rooms with Two attach bathroom and one common bath room with toilets, utility and Balconies, and One Car parking in Stilt Floor, together with common rights in common areas & utilities, terrace, lift, bounded on East by: 40 feet Road, West by: open to sky there afterwards Site No.194/E, North by: open to sky there afterwards Site No.138, South by: open to sky there afterwards Site No.140, the owner has agreed to sell the above said property. My clients are intending to purchase the said property. Any person having anyobjections for the sale of the above said flat and UDS in land or such other claim over it, the same may be lodged in writing with supporting documents at the following address **within FIFTEEN DAYS** from the date of publication of this Notice. If no objections or claims are received within the time stipulated above it shall be deemed that there are no objections for the sale of the same and purchasing said property by my client is free from all encumbrances.

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TENDER NOTIFICATION

Sub: Invitation of Tender for providing of Manpower services on out-source basis for Group 'D' (Cleaning) vacant posts at K.R. Hospital, Mysuru.

The Tender has been invited as per Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurements Act 1999 for providing of Manpower services on out-source basis for the Group 'D' (Cleaning) vacant posts at K.R. Hospital. The Tender documents may be downloaded from E-procurement website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** from **17.10.2025** and last date for submission of Tenders through E-procurement website is **17.11.2025 upto 5.00 PM.** Those tenders which are not submitted with E.M.D. will be rejected.

If, the last date for submission of Tender treated as holiday, the next working day will be considered as last date. No Notification in this regard will be announced.

Sd/- Director and Dean
Mysore Medical College & Research Institute, Mysore

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$63 bn India's import from China in the first six months of FY2026, showing an 11.25% year-on-year growth during the period. India's exports to China during the period registered a 22% growth to $8.5 billion

Govt is convinced GST cut benefit reaching common people: FM

Finance ministry is monitoring price cuts on 54 items; 94 consumer complaints resolved

PUSHPITA DEY @ New Delhi

FINANCE Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Saturday said that the government has kept a check on several items to ensure that the benefits of GST reforms are reaching consumers in the form of reduced prices.

She said that the government has been monitoring price cuts for 54 items across the country.

"On these 54 particular items in which we have been getting inputs from the zonal areas, from the various zones of information, we are convinced that on every such item, the benefits are being passed on to the consumer. In fact, I have item-wise data on what is the tax reduction, how much has gone to the consumer. So, we are convinced that the rate reduction is actually reaching the common people and that is why I think a lot of people who belong to the sectors are commenting openly," said the Finance Minister during a briefing on Saturday.

Nirmala Sitharaman addressing journalists in New Delhi on Saturday | SHEKHAR YADAV

From dairy products to electronics, the government has kept an eye on the sector to ensure consumers get the benefits. She even affirmed that in several items, businesses have reduced prices higher than the GST rate cuts.

Electronic items sale surges

The Union minister highlighted that electronic items sales surged significantly with AC sales doubling on the very first day GST reforms kicked in, on September 22, while TV sales saw 30-35% increase.

She asserted that the government is confident that the momentum will retain even after the festive season and this should not be considered just as a festive sale surge.

Despite having a positive response from the industry, the government is taking up the cases of GST violations that have come to the Department of Consumer Affairs.

The Department of Consumer Affairs has received 3,169 complaints alleging that price cuts were not passed on – of which 3,075 have been forwarded for action; 94 have been resolved.

"Classification related issues which led to a lot of questions and confusion in the minds of people and which also took a lot of courts' time have all been ironed out. So, having done that and having done that well in time for Deepavali, in fact, launched it on the first day of Navratri, I feel the people of India have received it well," says Sitharaman.

Both the Ministry of Finance and the Ministry of Commerce have said that with the GST rate rationalisation, there has been a significant boost to the Indian economy and thus, it has also triggered investors' interests.

With India retaining its economic growth momentum, several foreign investors are diversifying their investments to India.

NEWSCOPE

RUSSIAN OIL: INDIA IN AN UNENVIABLE SNARL

GURBIR SINGH

INDIA international trade is in turmoil as never before. The 50% tariff on Indian exports imposed by the US administration is beginning to bite. And Donald Trump continues to add confusion claiming Prime Minister Modi has agreed to taper off purchases of Russian oil.

India's goods exports to the US fell precipitously from $8.8 billion in May 2025 to $5.5 billion in September, marking a 37.5% drop over the four-month period. The impact of these over-the-top US duties is worse than it seems as it has hit the small, labour-intensive industries the hardest. These include textiles, gems and jewelry, leather and engineering goods.

The 50% tariffs were implemented in two stages. The 'reciprocal tariff' imposed on Indian goods on 7 August; and an additional 25% levy on 27 August in retaliation against India continuing to buy Russian oil.

The drop in exports have also negatively impacted India's trade deficit - the gap between what we import and export - by widening to a 13-month high of $32.15 billion in September.

The logjam in trade negotiations between Indian and the US has in the last few months been dominated by US' insistence that, India being the second largest importer of sea borne oil from Russia, is funding the latter's Ukraine war; and this should stop if India wants easier access to US markets.

Trump's bombshell

Then came the bombshell on Wednesday. Donald Trump told White House reporters India had agreed to taper off energy purchases from Russia. In a quick response, Ministry to External Affairs (MEA) spokesperson, Randhir Jaiswal, denied any such conversation, stating that the last telephonic communication between Trump and the Indian PM had been on 9 October. In a polite but firm assertion he reiterated India is "broad-basing our energy sourcing and diversifying as appropriate to meet market conditions."

What is the truth? Donald Trump is not great about dates or specifics, though he told reporters that the message of India stopping Russian crude imports was delivered through US' newly appointed ambassador to India, Sergio Gor. Trump repeated his claim when meeting Ukraine's President Zelensky later on Saturday. "Well, India is not going to be buying Russian oil anymore," the US President said.

Numerous US officials have made it clear buying Russian crude is a US red line. Treasury Secretary Bessent accused India of "profiteering" from the Ukraine war by buying discounted Russian crude, refining it, and reselling it to other countries.Peter Navarro, White House's Trade Adviser, called India an "oil money laundromat for the Kremlin". So is India going to cave in and stop Russian energy imports?

MANDAR PARDIKAR

What do the statistics show? Russia continues to be the largest exporter of crude to India, though the latter has over the months tried to strike a balance by increasing US crude purchases.

From a negligible 1.7% in 2019–2020, Russia's share of India's oil imports soared to as high as 40% during in fiscal 2023–24 after Moscow offered deep discounts to fund its Ukraine offensive. There was a marginal drop in this year's July-September quarter, but in October there was again a rebound. Russia, contributes 34% to India's crude imports, and continues to be the largest supplier.

Which way forward?

A Reuters report said though White House officials had claimed Indian refiners were already cutting Russian imports by 50%, the Indian government had not pressed for any such cuts. Refiners have already placed orders for November loading, including some cargoes for December arrival, so any cut could be visible in December or January import numbers. In fact, India's imports of Russian oil are set to rise about 20% this month to 1.9 million barrels per day, according to estimates from commodities data firm Kpler.

There are however reports though, that though there is no official communication to state-owned refiners Indian Oil and others, there is informal signaling to taper off Russian purchases. This may become evident in days to come.

Russia meanwhile is pushing hard, and defending India's 'sovereign' right to buy what is cheapest. It has also been emphasizing India not cave in as it could impact defense relations as most of India's arms and weaponry is of Russian origin. A few days ago Russian Ambassador to India Denis Alipov underlined this 'polite threat' saying: "For more than six decades, uninterrupted cooperation in defense has served as the backbone of India's armed forces."

When the US imposed the 50% tariffs in August, Prime Minister Modi rushed to balance his options by seeking stronger ties with both Vladimir Putin and by making a special trip to China to meet Xi Jingping. The demonstration of independence was not lost on Donald Trump, but then he characteristically upped his threats.

There are three significant factors at play: First, India desperately needs a trade deal with the US, and an end to the backbreaking tariffs; second, the Trump administration does not appreciate 'balancing' diplomacy and wants total capitulation. Witness Donald Trump's lashing anger at India taking the presidency of the BRICS alliance. Third, there seems to have been some assurances given by India on rolling back Russian oil imports. This writer's hunch is it will be seen in coming days.

Indeed, India is in an unenviable snarl, and maybe it has decided to move the US way.

Dhanteras: Auto sales surge, gold demand remains muted

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

AUTOMOBILE showrooms saw peak activity on Saturday, buoyed by pent-up festive demand and benefits from recent GST rate cuts that made cars cheaper across segments. Dealers said that bookings jumped in high double digit figures with thousands of deliveries scheduled through Sunday. In contrast, leading jewellers reported a significant drop in gold sales volumes as prices soared nearly 65% over last year to around ₹1.35 lakh per 10 grams. While value sales rose due to higher rates, many buyers shifted to silver or lightweight jewellery.

Partho Banerjee, Senior Executive Officer, Marketing & Sales at Maruti Suzuki (MSIL) said they did about 41,000 deliveries on Saturday and another 10,000 customers would take deliveries on Sunday, taking the total number to 51,000 units. Last year on Dhanteras, the MSIL did about 41,500 deliveries.

"This year many customers, because of GST 2.0 magic, are enthusiastically coming to buy vehicles. Every day 14,000 bookings are coming. Since the day we announced reduced prices, we have received 4.5 lakh bookings & of this 1 lakh is for small cars," he said.

He added that retail so far this festive season has been about 3.25 lakh units. This has broken all records for Maruti Suzuki with a growth of more than 50% over similar period last year.

Tarun Garg, whole-time Director & COO of Hyundai Motor India said that they are witnessing strong customer demand, with deliveries this Dhanteras expected to have been around 14,000 units, 20% higher than last year.

"The positive momentum is driven by the festive spirit, a buoyant market environment and the encouraging impact of GST 2.0 reforms," he stated.

However, business prospects are dim for jewellery companies which are eagerly awaiting Dhanteras sales. Gold prices have surged 65% since last Dhanteras, making the precious metal unaffordable for many buyers. Experts expect the upward trend to continue into next year due to geopolitical tensions, gold ETF inflows, and central bank purchases.

EMI options

Suvankar Sen, MD & CEO of Senco Gold & Diamonds, said they are seeing customers move to 18K, 14K and even 9K options to keep the joy of gifting alive without stretching household budgets, and many are using our digital and EMI options to plan purchases thoughtfully.

"While we're expecting a value growth of around 20–25% in jewellery sales compared to last year, there has been a 12-15% dip in volume terms, showing how buyers are prioritising design and emotional value over quantity…On the demand side, an interesting shift: studded and diamond jewellery is steadily gaining ground as buyers balance sentiment with value," added Sen.

Saurabh Gadgil, Chairman and Managing Director, PNG Jewellers, said that bullion, including gold and silver coins and bars, is performing exceptionally well while pre bookings for wedding jewellery have also been very encouraging.

Buyers cautious of gold purchase due to high prices

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PNB profit in Q2 rises 14% to ₹4,904 crore

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

PUNJAB National Bank on Saturday reported 14% rise in standalone net profit at Rs 4,904 crore for September quarter FY26. It had logged a profit of Rs 4,303 crore in the year-ago period, the state-owned lender said in a BSE filing.

Operating profit in July-September was at Rs 7,227 crore and Rs 14,308 crore in April-September (H1) FY26, recording a growth of 5.46% and 6.51%, respectively.

Total income in the second quarter was at Rs 36,214 crore and Rs 73,445 crore in H1FY26, clocking a YoY growth of 5.1 per cent and 10.3 per cent, respectively. Bank's net interest income (NII) increased to Rs 21,047 crore in H1FY26 from Rs 20,993 crore in H1FY25, showing an improvement of 0.26%.

Gross NPA ratio improved by103 basis points to 3.45% as on September 2025 from 4.48% a year ago. Net NPA improved by 10 bps to 0.36% from 0.46% as of September 2024.

ICICI Bank Q2 profit up 5.2% to ₹12,359 crore

BENN KOCHUVEEDAN @ Mumbai

ICICI Bank delivered a street-beating numbers for the September quarter with a 5.2% on-year jump in net profit at ₹12,359 crore compared to ₹11,746 crore in the same period last year, driven by higher net interest income and improved asset quality. The core net interest income (NII) which is the difference between interest earned and interest expended, rose to ₹21,529.5 crore from ₹20,048 crore a year earlier. That marks a 7.4% increase on-year, which is again better than the street view.

Total income for the quarter rose to ₹49,333.5 crore from ₹47,714 crore in the year-ago period, while other income increased to ₹7,575.5 crore from ₹7,176.7 crore, the bank said on Saturday.

Asset quality improved further during the quarter with gross non-performing assets (GNPA) declining to ₹23,849.7 crore from ₹27,121.2 crore a year earlier. The GNPA ratio eased to 1.58 from 1.97, while the net NPA ratio stood at 0.39, marginally lower than 0.42 in the same quarter last year. In absolute terms net NPAs amounted to ₹5,827 crore, compared to ₹5,685 crore.

Provisions for the quarter fell nearly 26% to ₹914 crore from ₹1,233 crore a year earlier, reflecting the bank's stronger credit profile and further boosting profitability.

Other income rose 5%, even as treasury income dropped sharply to ₹220 crore from ₹680 crore a year earlier, as rising bond yields weighed on banks' investment portfolios.

Overall advances grew 10.6% to Rs 13,75,260 crore, led by the small and medium-sized business segment that expanded the fastest pace, while growth in retail and large corporate segments remained muted. Deposits rose 7.7% in Q2.

HDFC Bank PAT surges 11% on better asset quality

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Mumbai

INDIA'S largest private lender HDFC Bank reported a strong set of numbers with the net profit jumping 10.8% on-year to ₹18,641.3 crore for the September quarter aided by higher other income and steady core performance, stumping the analysts who were expecting muted performance.

The bank's other key numbers also surpassed the street estimates, with a massive drop in provisions and major improvement in asset quality and rebalancing of cost of funds.

On consolidated basis net income rose 10% to ₹19,610.67 crore in the reporting quarter, the lender informed the exchanges on Saturday.

Overall provisions increased to ₹3,500 crore from ₹2,700 crore in the year-ago period, but was only a fraction of the ₹14,441 crore recorded in the previous quarter.

The core net interest income increased 4.8% on-year to ₹31,551.5 crore from ₹30,113.9 crore in the same quarter last year, the bank said in an exchange filing Saturday.

Other income rose 25% to ₹14,350 crore, providing a story boost to overall earnings.

Provisions and contingencies for the quarter rose 29.6% to ₹3,500.5 crore from ₹2,700.5 crore.

Business & Beyond

British Deputy High Commissioner Andrew Fleming presents Eastern Region Awards

Kolkata: Dr. Andrew Fleming, British Deputy High Commissioner, Kolkata, presented the EEPC India Eastern Region Awards to top-performing engineering goods exporters at the joint ceremony of the 40th & the 41st. As many as 73 awards to the 42 Member Exporters from the region for their outstanding engineering export performance during the financial years 2021-22 and 2022-23. India has made significant strides towards becoming a 'global superpower' in the engineering segment, and EEPC India has played a vital role in this regard deliberated Dr Fleming. He further added, "The India–UK Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) signed in July this year is a landmark development in the bilateral relations between the two countries.

Philippines Promotions Board hosts workshop with top travel agents in Delhi

New Delhi: The Tourism Promotions Board (TPB) Philippines, in collaboration with Buzz Travel Marketing, successfully hosted an engaging Itinerary Workshop at The Park, Connaught Place, bringing together leading luxury travel agents from Delhi for an exclusive interactive session aimed at strengthening travel and tourism partnerships between India and the Philippines. The event was graced by H.E. Josel F. Ignacio, Ambassador of the Republic of the Philippines to India, who shared valuable insights on the growing tourism and cultural relationship between the two nations. The workshop served as a vibrant platform to showcase the Philippines' diverse offerings — from luxurious island getaways and pristine beaches to adventure experiences and cultural immersion.

Dubai Safari Park welcomes visitors for seventh season

New Delhi: Dubai Safari Park, the emirate's premier wildlife and conservation destination, is set to welcome visitors from October 14 for its exciting seventh season under the theme 'Wild Rules". More than just a theme, "Wild Rules" sparks curiosity and invites families, especially children, to step into nature's ultimate classroom. Studies show that spending time in natural environments can spark creativity and enhance problem-solving skills in children. Taking inspiration from these findings, Dubai Safari Park empowers young minds to explore, discover, and connect with the wild.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that **Mr. Murali N Mamilpalli** (KTMTN-043), who was employed with our company as Branch Head-Shoolagiri, is no longer associated with our organization effective from the close of business hours on 15th October 2025 Any individual or business entity dealing with him hereafter shall be doing so at their own risk and responsibility. Our company shall not be held liable for any transactions, commitments, or representations made by him in any manner whatsoever.

General Manager Admin & HR
Krishna Transnational Marbles Pvt. Limited
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IUCAA

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IUCAA National Admission Test (INAT- 2026)

[Admission to IUCAA Ph.D. and SPPU-IUCAA Joint M.Sc. (Physics with Astrophysics) Programmes]

Online applications are invited for the following programmes :

A) Ph.D. in the areas of Astronomy / Astrophysics and Physics at IUCAA, Pune (https://www.iucaa.in/en/education/ph-d)

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The details of these programmes may be found at the above URLs.

The **INAT-2026** written entrance examination will be conducted at various centres across the country on **January 18, 2026.** All relevant information including the detailed eligibility criteria and the online application form can be accessed at **https://inat.iucaa.in.**

The selection to the Ph.D. programme will be based on the written score of INAT-2026, followed by two rounds of interviews at IUCAA, Pune, subject to the completion of the qualifying degree by **July 2026** and successful verification of documents.

The selection to the Joint M.Sc. programme will be based only on the written score of INAT-2026, subject to the completion of the qualifying degree by **July 2026** and successful verification of documents.

The **last date for submission** of online applications for INAT-2026 at **https://inat.iucaa.in** is **November 24, 2025.**

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POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the **Canara Bank** under Securitization And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **29.07.2025** calling upon the **borrower : Smt. Padma (Mortgagor)** to repay the amount mentioned in the Notice, being **Rs. 2,51,954.90** (Rupees Two Lakhs Fifty One Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty Four and Ninety Paisa Only) within 60 days from the date of the said notice.

The Borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general, that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under Section13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 & 9 of the said Rule on this **15th of October 2025.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **Canara Bank, Sasalu Branch** for an amount of **Rs. 2,49,285.90** (Rupees Two Lakhs Forty Nine Thousand TwoHundred Eighty Five and Ninety paise only)as on **28.09.2025** plus interest and other expenses thereon.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY : All that Piece and parcel of the property bearing Residential House bearing old Khata No. 507/509 and New VP Khata No. 42/31 and E Khata PID No. 150300302101900038, situated at Sulukunte Village, Sasalu Gram Panchayat, Sasalu Hobli, Doddaballapura Taluk, Doddaballapura Town, Bangalore Rural District measuring East to West 3.7 mtrs, North to South 10.2 mtrs and totally measuring about 37.74 sq mtrs and **bounded on the : East by :** Property of Lakshmidevamma, **West by :** Property of Geethamma, **North by :** Road, **South by :** Grama Tana. **Name of the Title holder Smt Padma.**

Date: 15.10.2025 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place: Sasalu **Canara Bank**

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No. Out Source/56/2025-26 Date: 04.10.2025

TENDER NOTIFICATION

Sub: Invitation of Tender for providing of Manpower services on out-source basis for Group 'D' (Security and Housekeeping) vacant posts at Celuvamba Hospital, Mysuru.

The Tender has been invited as per Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurements Act 1999 for providing of Manpower services on out-source basis for the Group 'D' (Security and Housekeeping) vacant posts at Cheluvamba Hospital. The Tender documents may be downloaded from E-procurement website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** from **18.10.2025** and last date for submission of Tenders through E-procurement website is **17.11.2025 upto 5.00 PM.** Those tenders which are not submitted with E.M.D. will be rejected.

If, the last date for submission of Tender treated as holiday, the next working day will be considered as last date. No Notification in this regard will be announced.

Sd/- Director and Dean
Mysore Medical College & Research Institute, Mysore

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The general public are hereby informed that, my clients are negotiating the terms of purchase with **Pavan Kumar .N, S/o D.V.Nagaraj,** aged about 28 years, residing at No.185, Ashwathakatte Road, Chikkalasandra, Bangalore South, Bengaluru-560 061. in respect of the schedule property.

Person/s objecting for the proposed purchase or having any right, title or interest in the schedule property stated below may lodge their objection in writing with the undersigned along with supporting documentary evidence for such claim **within 10 days** from this date. Person/s having filed any case/s in respect of the schedule property are also informed to lodge their objections with documentary proof within **10 days** from the date of this publication. Any objections received thereafter will not be binding on my client and my client will proceed to purchase the schedule property as if there are no claims/ objections.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of Agricultural land bearing old Sy.No.51/2, New Sy.No.51/10 and presently Sy.No.51/14, measuring 0-23 guntas, situated at Ballagere Grama, Maralawadi Hobli, Harohalli Taluk, Ramanagara District, bounded on:

East by : L.S.No.48 land and Road
West by : L.H.No.9 land
North by: L.H.No.6 land
South by: Land in Block No.1 & Road.

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NOTICE FOR APPEARANCE PETITIONS RULES 1, 2, 4 AND 11 OF CHAPTER XIII (KARNATAKA HIGH COURT RULES)
NOTICE TO THE RESPONDENT VIDE COURT ORDER DATED 14.10.2025
IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU
CP No.322/2025

BETWEEN: SMT BHAVYA MH, W/O POONACHA.M.D, D/O HOOVAIAH, AGED ABOUT 36 YEARS, R/O TAKERI VILLAGE AND POST, SOMWARPETE TALUK, KODAGU DISTRICT-571 231.....**PETITIONER**

(By Sri./Smt: RAMESH KUMAR RV & MAHENDRA SIMHA S P. ADVS FOR PETITIONER)

AND: SRI POONACHA .M.D, S/O LATE DEVAIAH, AGED ABOUT 41 YEARS, R/O #29, 5TH MAIN, NEAR DODDANNA SCHOOL, SHRIGANDHA NAGARA, HEGGANAHALLI, BENGALURU NORTH, BENGALURU-560091....**RESPONDENT**

To, **RESPONDENT: SRI POONACHA .M.D**, S/O LATE DEVAIAH, AGED ABOUT 41 YEARS, R/O #29, 5TH MAIN, NEAR DODDANNA SCHOOL, SHRIGANDHA NAGARA, HEGGANAHALLI, BENGALURU NORTH. BENGALURU-560091.

CP Filed Under Section 24 Of Cpc, Praying To Order For Withdrawal Of The Case In Mc No.1/2025, Pending On The File Of The Honble 5th Additional Prl. Judge, Family Court, Judge, Bengaluru To Be Transferred To Be Tried And Disposed of By The Hon'ble Prl Senior Civil Judge and JMFC, Somwarpete, Kodagu District Along In Order To Secure The Ends Of Justice And Equity.

Notice is hereby given to you to appear in this court in person or through an advocate duly instructed or through someone authorized by law to act for you in the CP No.322/2025 on **31-10-2025** at 10:30 A.M on which date the case will be posted for orders/hearing, in case you intend to contest the CP. if you fail to appear the same will be dealt with, heard and decided in your absence.

Issued under my hand and the seal of this court on 17-10-2025.

By order of the court, Assistant Registrar, High Court of Karnataka, Bangalore.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform all and whomsoever it may concern that my client - Banks / Financial Institutions is/are considering to sanction loan to the Loan Applicant/s by accepting the schedule property or its units as collateral security. The schedule property is presently belongs to **Smt. Chandramma, Sri Mahesh S & Sri Vijay S.**

If any other person/s or authority/ies has/have any manner of right, title, interest, demand, claim, charge or lien over the schedule property or its units, they are hereby requested to file their objections to the Sale and Mortgage of the said schedule property or its units to the Financial Institutions / Banks and shall inform/object the same in writing along with the photocopies of the documents relied for such claim/objections, through the registered post with acknowledgement due to the undersigned **within 10 days** from the date of publication of this notice.

If no valid claim/objection is received by the undersigned as aforesaid, my client Banks / Financial Institutions shall proceed to accept the schedule property or its units as collateral security and create mortgage for having sanctioned the loan to the Loan Applicant, deeming that no one else has/have any manner of right or claim or interest whatsoever over the schedule property

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the immovable residentially converted land property bearing Sy.No.39/4 (Old Sy.No.39/2) (e PID No.2321870808), measuring 11 guntas, situated at Srirampura Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Banglaore North Taluk and bounded on the **East by :** Sy.No.39/2 of Remaining land, **West by :** Sy.No9.39/2 of Remaining land belongs to Seetharamu **North by :** Sy.No.39/1 **South by :** Road

RAGHAVENDRA P HOGADE, ADVOCATE
No.186/8, 1st Floor, Sirur Park Road, Seshadripuram, Bengaluru – 560 020

PUBLIC NOTICE

OF LOST DOCUMENT

We, **M/s Fund Point Service Apartments Pvt Ltd**, having its office at No.9, Drafadila Layout, 4th Cross, Koramangala, Bangalore, represented by its Managing Director, Kalathil Abraham Abraham alias K. Roy Abraham have **lost the original Sale Deed dated:14/02/2000**, Registered as Document No:BKI-1-7953-2000-01 and also **lost the original Sale Deed dated:27/09/2003**, Registered as Document No:BNG(U)-BLR(S)-1-12626-2003-04, which were registered at the office of the Sub Registrar, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore in respect of the below mentioned Schedule 'D' property and the same has been lost on 15/10/2025 at our office. We have lodged a Police Complaint for lost article on 16/10/2025 under acknowledgment issued by the Bengaluru City Police, bearing SL No. 1855173, Lost Report No. 1855173/2025.

If any person/s found the said sale deed, please come forward with in a period of 7 days from the date of publication of this notice and hand over the same to the under signed. If anyone has already carried out any transaction or any transaction is in the process of being carried out using the missing document, kindly inform the undersigned party in writing at the below mentioned address within 07 days from this paper publication.

SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing House List No. 225, Srinivagalu Village, assessed under the Jakkasandra Group Panchayat, Khata No. 75, Srinivagalu assessed under the Madivala Notified Area Committee, now known as and bearing Corporation No. 9, situated in Drafadila Layout, Srinivagalu Village in Corporation Ward No. 68, Bangalore, totally measuring 43,030 sft. and bounded by:

On the East : Private Property measuring 363'3", **On the West** : Private Property measuring 360'6", **On the North** : Private Property and Schedule 'B' Property measuring 128'8", **On the South** : Road measuring 128'8"

SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing No. 13, situated in Drafadila Layout, Srinivagalu Village, Corporation Ward No. 68, Bangalore, admeasuring East to West 24' and North to South 60' (totally measuring 1,440 sft) and bounded by:

On the East : Private Property, **On the West** : Private Property, **On the North** : Private Property, **On the South** : Schedule 'A' Property.

The total extent of Schedule 'A' and Schedule 'B' Properties is 44,470 sft.

SCHEDULE 'C' PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of immovable properties bearing of House List No.225, Group Panchayat Khata No. 75, presently bearing Corporation No.9 and adjacent property bearing Corporation No. 13, both situated at Drafadila Layout, Srinivagalu Village, Corporation Ward No. 68, Bangalore, totally admeasuring 44470 sft.

SCHEDULE 'D' PROPERTY

Flat No. 012 (Old No.011), on the Ground Floor, to be constructed on the Schedule C Property as per the sanctioned plan aforesaid, consisting of hall cum dining, one bedroom with attached toilet cum bathroom, kitchen, etc., with common areas and amenities attributable thereto with a total super built-up area of 734 sft, inclusive of a car parking lot in the basement. The building is of RCC roofing, mosaic flooring, jungle wood doors and steel windows.

M/s Fund Point Service Apartments Pvt Ltd,
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PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the Public that Auction of pledged Gold Ornaments will be conducted by UNIMONI FINANCIAL SERVICES LIMITED on **22-10-2025** at 10:00 am at the respective centers given below. The Gold Ornaments to be auctioned belong to Loan Accounts of our various Customers who have failed to pay their dues. Our notices of auction have been duly issued to these borrowers. The Gold Ornaments to be auctioned belong to Overdue Loan Accounts of our various Customers mentioned below with branch name.

Auction Centre Address & Loan Nos: BANGALORE - KORAMANGALA (BAK - Bldg No 343, Ist Floor, Ist B Main Road, 7Th Block Koramangala, Bangalore -560095, Contact No.9945569710) 2192573.

(Reserves the right to alter the number of accounts to be auctioned &/ postpone / cancel the auction without any prior notice)

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Canara Bank, ARM Branch I

2nd Floor, No. 86, Spencers Tower, M.G. Road, Bangalore-560001.

SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provisio to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged to the Secured Creditor, the Symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on **05.11.2025 (10.30 AM to 11.00 AM),** for recovery of **Rs. 49,82,25,385.50/-** (Rupees Forty Nine Crore Eighty Two Lakh Twenty Five Thousand Three Hundred and Eighty Five and Fifty paise only) as on 14.10.2025 with further interest and cost thereon due to the **ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru of Canara Bank** from **1. M/s. Ambika Electronics,** Ground Floor, No. 952 A, Sunder Mahal, 14th Cross, Hoskerahalli, Girinagar, Banglore-560085. **2) Mr. Ramesh Aithal** S/o. Sri K. Venkattraman Aithal, 85, Yukthi, Avalahalli, 3rd Stage, Girinagar Banglore 560055. **3) Mr. K. Shantharam Holla** S/o. Achuta Holla, B 202, Ashwini Apartment,14, Ring Road, Banashankari, 2nd Stage, Bangalore-560070. **4) Mr. K V R Somayaji,** 97, 3rd Main, 4th Phase, JP Nagar, Sarakki Dollar Colony, Bangalore-560078. **5) Smt. K. Veena** W/o. Mr. K V R Somayaji 97, 3rd Main, 4th Phase, JP Nagar, Sarakki Dollar Colony, Bangalore -560078. **6) Mr Sri Sadananda Maiya,** S/o. Late PYN Maiya, 342/20, Shanthala, 1st B Main Road, Jayanagar West, Bangalore-82.

The Reserve Price and Earnest Money shall be Deposited by way of E-Wallet of **M/s. PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/)** portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through RTGS/NEFT in the account details as mentioned in the said challan on or before **04.11.2025, 5.00 pm.** **(Rs. in lacs)**

Lot	Description of the immovable/ movable assets	Reserve Price	EMD	Incremental value Rs.
1	Residential Site No 5, carved out of Sy. No. 29/13 of Mayagananahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Ramanagaram Taluk, V P Katha No. 571-5-29/13, Measuring 8000 sft standing in the name of **Sri Ramesh Aithal and K Shantahrama Holla.** Area Sq Ft 8000. **Coordinates of the property Latitude- 12.8062193N Longitude - 77.3170495E**	135.00	13.50	1.00
	TOTAL	135.00	13.50	

Known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "E-Auction" provided in Canara Bank's website **(www.canarabank.com)** or **E-Wallet of M/s. PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/)** portal and may contact ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru, **Canara Bank, Ph. No. 080-25310066, 9483544116 and 8508442767** during office hours on any working day.

Date: 15.10.2025 **Sd/- Authorised Offier**
Place: Bangalore **Canara Bank**

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(A Government of India Undertaking)

Vasanthnagar Branch (07472)
No.11, Nandi, 8th Main, Vasanth Nagar, Bengaluru -560052
Phone : 080-22355308, Email ID. ubin0907472@unionbankofindia.bank

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for 15 days Sale of immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provison to rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rule, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/ charged to the Secured Creditor, the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised officer of **Union Bank of India,** the secured Creditor will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is basis"** on the date mentioned below, for recovery of dues as mentioned hereunder to Union bank of India from the below mentioned Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s). The Reserve Price and the Earnest Money Deposit are also mentioned hereunder.

Name and address of the Secured Creditor : Union Bank of India, Vasanthnagar Branch (07472), No.11, Nandi, 8th Main, Vasanth Nagar, Bengaluru -560052.

Name and address of the Borrower, Co-Applicant and Guarantor: (1) (a) Mrs. K R Renuka W/o M. Narayanswamy, Sy No. 44 (3 Acres 8B Guntas), Kondathimmanahalli, Duggasandra (H), Mulabagilu Taluq, Kolar Dist, Karnataka-563131. **Alternate Address:** Vommasandra, House No.21, H Gollahally, Mulbagal Taluq, Kolar Dist, Karnataka-563131. **(b) Mr. M. Narayanaswamy** S/o Muniswamy, Vommasandra, House No 21, H Gollahally, Mulbagal Taluk, Kolar Dist, Karnataka-563131. **(2) Guarantor/Mortgagor: (a) Mrs. M.Saraswathamma** W/o Munishamappa, No.21, Kothiganahalli, Kolar Taluq, Kolar District, Karnataka-563131.

Amount due: Rs. 1,75,99,655.00 (Rupees One Crore Seventy Five Lakh Ninety Nine Thousand Six Hundred Fifty Five Only) **as on 18.10.2025** and further interest/cost/expenses thereon.

Description of immovable secured assets to be Sold:

Schedule A Property: All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing Site No. 123, "Upakar Paradise" Layout, Sy No. 14, situated at 5th Cross Road, Chikkasandra Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk, Bengaluru -562129 measuring East to West 30 Sq. Ft and North to South 40 Sq. Ft , totally 1200 Square Feet and bounded on the : East by : Site No. 122, West by : Site No. 124, North by : Site No. 118, South by : Road.

Reserve Price : Rs. 28,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty Eight Lakh Only)
Earnest Money to be Deposited: Rs. 2,80,000/-
(Rupees Two Lakh Eighty Thousand Only)
Date and time of E-Auction:
14.11.2025, Friday from 12:00 Noon to 05:00PM
(with 10 min unlimited auto extensions)
Last date for submission of EMD :
EMD shall be deposited and Linked/Map the EMD amount with the Property ID before End Time of Auction.
It is advisable to deposit and Link / Map the EMD amount with the property ID well in advance to avoid any technical glitch.
E-auction website: https://baanknet.com

For E-auction Related queries Contact Union Bank of India, Vasanthnagar Branch, Manager, Mr. Ankit Sagar on mobile phone No. 9619717075.

Date: 17.10.2025 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place: Bangalore **Union Bank of India.**

SYMBOLIC POSSESSION NOTICE

ICICI Bank Branch Office: ICICI Bank Ltd. 4/10, Mythree Tower, Bommanhalli Hosur Main Road Bangalore- 560068

The Authorised ICICI Bank Officer under the Securitisation, Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued Demand Notices to the borrower(s) mentioned below, to repay the amount mentioned in the Notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said Notice. Having failed to repay the amount, the Notice is issued to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of the property described below, by exercising powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the below-mentioned dates. The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property. Any dealings with the property will be subject to charges of ICICI Bank Limited.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower(s)/ Loan Account Number	Description of Property/ Date of Symbolic Possession	Date of Demand Notice/ Amount in Demand Notice (Rs)	Name of Branch
1.	Silverline Distributors, Sowbhagya Cherukuri, Ravi Kumar Cherukuri, Cherukuri Subbarao/ Represented By Proprietor Sowbhagya Cherukuri 2nd Main Road Plot No. 29 ,30,And 31 9th Cross Swamy Vivekananda Nagara Hoskote Town Bangalore- 562114/ '007805011781.	Property 3 All That Piece And Parcel of Undivided Share In The Plot Bearing No.36, V.P. Katha No.216/36/B, Having Pid No. 150300400500620215, Situated At Shankanipura Village, Kasaba Hobli, Hosakote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, Measuring East To West 12.80 Mtrs And North To South 9 Mtrs In All Measuring 115.20 Sq.mtrs (1,240 Sq.feet) And Bounded On The: East By: Road; West By: Privet Property (Compound Wall) North By: Ubit No.35; South By: Park; Together With A Residential Villa Bearing No.36, Measuring 170.57 Sq.meter (1,836 Sq.feet) of Sanctioned Area, Having A Carpet Area of 122.26 Sq.meters (1,316 Sq.feet) And Inclusive of Balconies, Terrace Area And Utility Space Together With Carparking Space In The Residential Layout Known As "M1-Terra Alegria" Constructed Thereon". Date of Symbolic Possession 14th October 2025.	May 13, 2025 Rs. 4,36,90,219.05/-	Bangalore & Koppal
2.	Silverline Distributors, Sowbhagya Cherukuri, Ravi Kumar Cherukuri, Cherukuri Subbarao/ Represented By Proprietor Sowbhagya Cherukuri 2nd Main Road Plot No. 29 ,30, And 31 9th Cross Swamy Vivekananda Nagara Hoskote Town Bangalore- 562114/ '007805011781.	Property 1 323 Sq.feet. Proportionate Undivided Right, Title And Interest And Buyership In The Property Bearing Site No.15, 16, 17, 23, 24 And 25, In Old Katha No.2918, 2919, 2920, 2926, 2927 And. 2928, Assessment Register No.2918, 1919, 2920, 2926, 2927 And 2928, Now Bbmp Katha Property Nos. 1240/2918/15, 2919/16, 2920/17, 2926/23, 2927/24, 2928/25, Situated In Sy.nos. 88/1 And 92, Duly Converted For Non Agricultural Residential Purposes, By The Office of The Deputy District, Commissioner, Bangalore Bangalore Vide Its Order No. B.DIS.ALN.SR(S): 445/1991-92, Dated 20.10.1992, Situated. At Gottigere Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, Measuring East To West 120 Feet And North To South 115 Feet Totally Measuring 13,800 Sq.feet, Now Within The Jurisdiction of Bbmp Ward No.194, Gottigere, Anjanapura Sub-Zone, Bangalore And Bounded On The: East By: Road; West By: Road; North By: Site Nos. 18, 20 & 22; South By: Private Property; Together With A Residential Apartment No. GF-005, On The Ground Floor, Having A Super Built Up Area Measuring 1060 Sq.feet, Inclusive of Proportionate Share In Common Areas Such As Passage, Lobbies, Lifts, Staircase And Other Area With One Covered Car Parking, Space In The Stilt Floor of The Residential Apartment Complex Known As "Fortune Residency" Constructed Thereon". Date of Symbolic Possession 15th October 2025.	May 13, 2025 Rs. 4,36,90,219.05/-	Bangalore & Koppal

The above-mentioned borrowers(s)/guarantors(s) is/are hereby issued a 30 day Notice to repay the amount, else the mortgaged properties will be sold after 30 days from the date of publishing this Notice, as per the provisions under Rules 8 and 9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.

Date: October 18, 2025
Place: Bangalore

Sincerely Authorised Officer
For ICICI Bank Ltd.

FORM No.19
NOTICE FOR APPEARANCE PETITIONS RULES 1, 2, 4 AND 11 OF CHAPTER XIII (KARNATAKA HIGH COURT RULES)
IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU
Notice to the Respondent vide Court Order dated 15.10.2025
CP No. 216/2025

BETWEEN: SMT. VEENA SHREE .S, W/O DEEPAK C, D/O SHANTHAPPA K. SHIKARIPURA, AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS, R/O NO.404/94, JAYANAGARA, B BLOCK, HIGH TECH HOSPITAL ROAD, DAVANAGERE-577001 ... **PETITIONER**

(Sri : M.R. HIREMATHAD AND RAMAKRISHNA.N-ADVS FOR PETITIONER)

AND: SRI DEEPAK C, AGED ABOUT 32 YEARS, S/O CHENNAKESHVAIAH, #124, 3RD MAIN, "MANJUNATHA NILAYA" NAGANATHAPURA, HOSA ROAD, BENGALURU-560100 ... **RESPONDENT**

To: **RESPONDENT**

SRI DEEPAK C, AGED ABOUT 32 YEARS, S/O CHENNAKESHVAIAH, #124, 3RD MAIN, "MANJUNATHA NILAYA" NAGANATHAPURA, HOSA ROAD, BENGALURU-560100

CIVIL PETITION FILED UNDER SEC. 24 OF THE CIVIL PROCEDURE CODE. 1908 PRAYING TO TRANSFER THE CASE IN M.C. NO. 713/2024 ON THE FILE OF THE HON'BLE III ADDITIONAL SENIOR CIVIL JUDGE, BENGALURU RURAL AT BENGALURU TO THE FILE OF HON'BLE FAMILY JUDGE COURT AT DAVANAGERE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO YOU TO APPEAR IN THIS COURT IN PERSON OR THROUGH AN ADVOCATE DULY INSTRUCTED OR THROUGH SOMEONE AUTHORIZED BY LAW TO ACT FOR YOU IN THE CP NO.216/2025 ON **31.10.2025** AT **10.30 A.M** ON WHICH DATE THE CASE WILL BE POSTED FOR ORDERS/HEARING, IN CASE YOU INTEND TO CONTEST THE CP. IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR THE SAME WILL BE DEALT WITH, HEARD AND DECIDED IN YOUR ABSENCE.

ISSUED UNDER MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE COURT, ON THE 17/10/2025

BY ORDER OF THE COURT, ASSISTANT REGISTRAR, HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA, BENGALURU

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank
(A GOVERNMENT OF INDIA UNDERTAKING)

E-AUCTION NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

REGIONAL OFFICE SOUTH BENGALURU

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, **possession** of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of Canara Bank, Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** basis **04.11.2025 from 11.30 A.M. to 12.00 P.M.** [with unlimited extension of 5 minutes duration each till the conclusion of sale], for recovery of below mentioned amount.
The details of Borrower/s/Guarantor/s/Secured Asset/s/Dues/Reserve Price/e-Auction date & Time, EMD and Bid Increase Amount are mentioned below –

Sl No.	1.Name of the borrower 2.Name of the Branch	Description of the Property	Total Dues	Date & Time of Auction	Reserve Price EMD Amount Increment amount	Contact Number
1	**1.M/s. Sri Lakshmi Enterprises 2.Branch : Uttarahalli Branch,** # 12/1, Uttarahalli Main Road, Bengaluru - 560 061 Email: cb2778@canarabank.com	Property bearing Sy. No. 216/1, Sy. No. 1, 5th Sub-Cross, 12th Cross, Weavers Colony, Pillaganahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore - 560 083, Bounded by : East : Ramdasa Property , West : Road, North : Narrow Passage, South : Thimmakka Property. (Property in the Name of Mr. Chandrashekhar P)	**Rs.15,98,478.49** (Rupees Fifteen lakhs Ninety Eight thousand Four Hundred and SEventy Eight and Paisa Forty Nine Only) plus further interest thereon from 04.08.2025 and other expenses	**04.11.2025 between 11.30 A.M. to 12.00 PM**	**Rs.15.20 Lacs Rs.1.52 Lacs Rs. 1.00 Lacs**	**Senior Manager, Ph 7050708080 080-26396650, 8334999471**
2	**1.Lokesh C 2.Branch : Bilekahalli** (Vijaya Bank Layout) G-02 , Arvind's Sharavathi, 80 Feet Road, Bilekahalli, Vijaya Bank Layout, Off: Bannerghatta Road, Bengaluru - 560 076 Email: cb10754@canarabank.com	All that piece and parcel of the property Southern Portion of the KhathaBearing No. 344/93, Situated at BBMP Ward No. 197, Vasanthapura Village, Subramanyapura Post, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk- 560061, Near Sai Baba Temple, measuring East to West 35 Feet and North to South (30+32)/2 ft, Extent: 1085sq ft, bounded by: East: House of C Thimmaiah, West: House of Sri M Krishnappa, North: Portion of the same site belongs to Sri Srinivasa and the Passage belongs to Sri Lokesh , South: Passage **(Property in the name of Mr. Lokesh C)**	**Rs.7,59,039.15** (Rupees Seven lakhs Fifty Ninethousand Thirty Nine and Paise Fifteen Only) plus further interest thereon from 01.05.2025 and other expenses	**04.11.2025 between 11.30 A.M. to 12.00 PM**	**Rs. 49.60 Lacs Rs. 4.96 Lacs Rs. 1.00 Lacs**	**Senior Manager, Ph 7039891841 080-26631598, 8334999471**

Known encumbrances, if any: NIL
The EMD should be deposited on or before 03.11.2025 up to 5.00 PM,
The property will not be sold below the Reserve Price.
For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in https://www.canarabank.com/english/announcements/sale-notice/karnataka/ provided on the Secured Creditors' Website i.e www.canarabank. com. or may contact **above mentioned branches** during office hours on any working day.

Place: Bangalore
Date :16.10.2025

Sd/-
Authorised Officer,
Canara Bank

pnb Housing finance limited Ghar ki Baat

Regd. Office:- 9th Floor, Antrakish Bhavan, 22, K G Marg, New Delhi-110001, Ph: 011-23357171, 23357172, 23705414, Web: www.pnbhousing.com;
Branch Address:- No. 40, Jodh Tower 3rd Floor, 27th Cross, 5th Main Road, Jayanagar 4th Block, Bangalore 560 011.

POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable Property/ies)

Whereas the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the **PNB Housing Finance Ltd.** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets & in compliance of Rule 8(1) of Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued demand notice/s on the date mentioned against each account calling upon the respective borrower/s to repay the amount as mentioned against each account within 60 days from the date of notice(s)/date of receipt of the said notice/s. The borrower/s having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower/s and the public in general that the undersigned has **taken possession** of the property/ies described herein below in exercise powers conferred on him/ her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on the dates mentioned against each account. The borrower/s in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property/ies and any dealing with the property/ies will be subject to the charge of **PNB Housing Finance Ltd.,** for the amount and interest thereon as per loan agreement. The borrowers' attention is invited to provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

S. No.	Loan Account No(s)	Name of the Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor	Date of Demand Notice	Amount outstanding	Date of Possession Taken	Description of the Property/ies mortgaged
1	**NHL/ MRH/ 0417/ 380924**	**Mr. A G Govardhan** and **Mrs. Krishnaveni G**	**31-05-25**	**Rs. 65,80,354/-** (Rupees Sixty Five Lakhs Eighty Thousand Three Hundred and Fifty Four Only) **due as on 31-05-2025**	**16-10-2025 (Symbolic)**	**"Schedule Property-A": (Larger Extent property):** All that property bearing PID No-67-23-4 (comprising old No's 4,5,6,7,8 &9), situated at Adugodi, Adugodi Main Road, Bangalore-30 presently comes under Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara palike ward No-67, measuring to an extent of 30823 sq feet & bounded by: **East:** NDRI and Private Property, **West:** Hosur Road, **North:** NDRI Property, **South:** Property belongs to A M Chikkapapanna. **"Schedule-B": The Share/Property Of A G Govardhan: NHL/MRH/0417/380924):** Super Built Up Area To An Extent of 3013 Sft (i.e 4.015% of the total super built up area) on Ground, First & Second floors as mentioned below and construct

Denmark Open: Sat-Chi go down in semifinal

Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty went down to Japanese pair of Takuro Hoki and Yugo Kobayashi (21-23, 21-18, 16-21) in the semifinal of the Denmark Open tournament on Saturday. After a thrilling three-game battle, the Japanese duo took control in the final game with precise smashes and consistent net play, edging out the Indian pair.

In Perth, return of Rohit & Kohli raises heat

Senior pros will take the field for the first time since Test retirement; will feature as players under Gill's captaincy

GOMESH S @ Chennai

India batters Virat Kohli & Rohit Sharma during a training session in Perth | AFP/BCCI

A NEW beginning. A new captain. Several exciting young players waiting to seize the moment. The Indian team that has landed in Australia has all that. However, when they walk onto the field at The Perth Stadium, the 50,000 fans, who are expected to fill the stands for the first ODI on Sunday, will be chanting and cheering for two lads in the North of 35 — Rohit Sharma and Virat Kohli.

The former has just been removed as captain and will be playing for India for the first time since the Champions Trophy final where he led from the front to win his second ICC trophy as skipper. The latter, Rohit's predecessor and Australia's darling, hasn't played any professional cricket since the triumphant IPL final in Ahmedabad when Royal Challengers Bengaluru won their first title. One is 38 years old. The other will be turning 37 in less than three weeks. And over the course of the week where India play three ODIs Down Under, it is these two veterans who will hog the limelight. And with good reason. Last time both were in Australia, they played their final Test matches. Although they did not know at the time, signs were there. Rohit dropped himself for the final Test in Sydney, Kohli had a pattern of dismissals that painted a sorry picture after the Perth ton. A few months on, both retired a week within each other.

This, however, is a different format. It is something they are best suited to and play in their sleep. Both Rohit and Kohli had made it clear that they are keen to play the 2027 ODI World Cup in South Africa. Kohli won it once as a player in 2011, Rohit hasn't. They came close in 2023 at home but Travis Head and Pat Cummins had other ideas. It is no secret that winning that coveted trophy has been the dream of this duo; more so for Rohit who was dropped in 2011.

In saying that, zooming out a little, the selectors and the BCCI have looked at the big picture. They know time stops for no one and moved on from Rohit as captain. By the time the tournament in South Africa comes along Rohit will be 40 and Kohli will be 39. It was only fair that they deemed a place in the XI based on performance rather than reputation and being the captain. It is something chief selector Ajit Agarkar and coach Gautam Gambhir have made it clear. While acknowledging that every innings will not come under the lens, they are non committal about having Rohit and Kohli in the World Cup two years from now.

While neither of them have made a public statement about the selector or the coach, the underlying tension is palpable. It was the case when Rohit was Test captain and Gambhir was coach during the Border-Gavaskar Trophy and it has only been amplified since. All this uncertainty and tension have put Shubman Gill, who will make his ODI captaincy debut on Sunday, in a tricky place. It will be the first time he leads a side that has both the seniors in the set-up. However, Gill remains unfazed. "A narrative is run on the outside but nothing has changed in my relationship with Rohit," he said on Saturday. "I have great equation with Virat bhai and Rohit bhai and they never hesitate in giving suggestions."

One of things Gill reiterated is being clear on communication and messaging. It will be crucial for the young captain going forward to not just rally the team through transition but also have the support and backing of two white-ball giants in his team. For as much as it is for Gill, this is a new beginning for Rohit and Kohli as well. Where every run, every fifty, every hundred will matter.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

POINTS TO PONDER

WITH INDIA TAKING ON AUSTRALIA IN THE FIRST ODI, A LOOK...

Starc vs top-order

Mitchell Starc is playing in an ODI after almost a year and will be leading the pace attack. Whether it is Shubman Gill as captain or two senior batters in Virat Kohli and Rohit Sharma, they will be wary of the threat he poses

Eyes on Nitish

In the absence of Hardik Pandya, the focus will be on Nitish Kumar Reddy and how much the youngster can contribute as an all-rounder. While his bowling is still work in progress, where he bats and what he does will be crucial

Australia vs India, 1st ODI, Perth ● Live on Star Sports and JioHotstar, 9 AM

TANVI ONE HIT AWAY FROM MATCHING SAINA

ANMOL GURUNG @ Guwahati

TANVI Sharma was involved in a brutal match on Friday. It was a match filled with chaos. With a junior World Championships medal on the line, she was flirting with danger on numerous occasions. She had expended every ounce of her energy to pull off a victory, a win that put her name in the history books — first Indian woman shuttler to medal at the BWF World Junior Championships after a gap of 17 years.

Less than 24 hours later, Tanvi returned to the arena a different beast. No chaos, no drama. It was almost near-flawless. The 16-year-old, who's chasing gold medal, marched into the finals of the highly-coveted meet at the National Centre of Excellence, here on Saturday. As her coach, Park Tae-sang, would later reveal, Tanvi was confident from the word go. "Today (Saturday), after entering the court, she warmed up and she was looking at me and saying, 'coach, I have confidence today.' With the noise level hitting thousand decibel, Tanvi was in the zone, operating like a well-oiled machine. Si Ya Liu of China was reduced to ordinary as Tanvi played one of the best games of her campaign at a venue which she considers home. There were a few blips here and there, especially towards the closing stages, but in the end, the result was inevitable as Tanvi walked away with a 15-11, 15-9 result.

"I was very comfortable. I was playing inside, I was playing rallies. In the second game, I was leading 12-4, and then I started playing from the outside, I was going to finish with one stroke... but my coach told me to play from inside," Tanvi said, as she tried to summarise the game.

Unlike Friday, Tanvi was tuned in from the first point. She was displaying her attacking prowess to collect points at will. Barring a few close misses, the promising youngster, who's regarded as one of the best talents in the country, was pinpoint with her smashes, her drop shots. The line was indeed her best friend. "I was hitting on the line and I was getting it right. My coach told me to 'just play your game'. I practice here, and I'm in the finals now. It's very special. In the finals, I want to play my best and replicate this performance," she said.

Now, the gold medal is going to be a tussle between the No 1 and the No 2 seed. Anyapat Phichitpreechasak of Thailand stands between Tanvi and gold. Tanvi has won the only meeting between the two so far. She'll be hoping to make it two and follow the footsteps of Saina.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

India's Tanvi Sharma (R) in action during the semifinal on Saturday | PTI

Seeking quick turnaround

After two losses, India face England in Indore. A look...

Five or six bowlers?

It has been the talking point over the last two weeks for the Indian team. Against South Africa and Australia, India were found wanting with the ball as they could not turn their sixth bowling option. It will be interesting to see if they change plans and pick another primary bowling option against England

The Ecclestone threat

Through this World Cup India have struggled to get going against left-arm spinners, and in Sophie Ecclestone, England have one of the best left-arm spinner in the world. How the Women in Blue counter Ecclestone, and to an extent Charlie Dean, will determine their fortunes with the bat

India vs England, Indore
Live on Star Sports & JioHotstar, 3 PM

Time for Jemimah to rise to occasion

GOMESH S @ Chennai

IT was June 2022. Mithali Raj had just retired and Harmanpreet Kaur was appointed Indian captain and they were off to Sri Lanka for a white-ball tour. For Jemimah Rodrigues, who was dropped from the ODI format for the World Cup and the Sri Lanka series, it marked a new beginning.

As a part of the T20I set up, it was the first time she was handed a middle-order role with the bat. Up until that point, the Mumbai batter has predominantly opened or walked in at No 3. In Sri Lanka, she was asked to bat at No 5 in the T20Is. She started off with a Player of the Match cameo against Sri Lanka, but it took her another year to find a place in the ODI team.

It began in July 2023 in Bangladesh and in the two and half years since, Rodrigues has become a vital cog of the Indian middle-order. Only behind Smriti Mandhana (2234 runs in 41 innings) and Harmanpreet Kaur (1238 runs from 26 innings), Rodrigues has scored 1128 runs at 38.89 average and 98.25 strike rate, including two hundreds and four fifties.

Ask her how she has been able to adapt over the years, Rodrigues explained in Visakhapatnam. "...it was more to do mentally. If I walk in at No 5 in a T20I, and we need an asking rate of 9 or 10, am I ready to do it? If not, what's my plan? So that plan started from the nets. I used to go after the bowling from the first ball I used to try and hit every ball for a four and a six, which is not possible, but the more I tried it, the more I figured out what worked, what didn't work. And if not, how I can get a single off that ball. My mindset is very simple to get a good strike rate," she said. Among middle-order batters (No 4-6) across the world since April 2022, Rodrigues is fourth behind Nat Sciver-Brunt, Kaur and Marizanne Kapp. Her first ODI century came along in January 2025, and she did not take too long to get the second in April. Coming into the World Cup, she was the third-most important batter for India. However, the tournament has not turned out that way for her; not as much as she would have liked. Two ducks, a 32 and a 33 in four innings with the average of 16.25 is not what is expected of her. Thrice she has gotten out to left-arm spinners and once to back of arm slower ball from Annabel Sutherland. Her sweep shot, which is one of her go-to scoring areas and strengths, has come to cost her too.

India batter Jemimah Rodrigues| EXPRESS

And as much as Rodrigues was oozing confidence during the press conference ahead of the South Africa game last week, it is hard to miss the frustration when on the field. She is a live-wire when in the middle, omnipresent while chasing the ball in the outfield and easily is the best fielder in the side.

However, has she gotten to a stage where she has consistently won matches on her own with the bat? Not yet. It is not that she has not played crucial cameos. Whether it was in Sri Lanka or England or Bangladesh, Rodrigues have contributed with crucial 40s and 50s, but barring that one 101-ball 123 against South Africa Rodrigues is yet to do what Mandhana or Kaur has done over the years. And therein lies India's problem. With neither Mandhana nor Kaur putting up the centuries, it is time for Rodrigues to step up and do more than she has. For that is what it takes to become a match-winner in her own right. What better stage to do so than in a home World Cup when the team needs it the most.

Arsenal go top of PL table

AGENCIES @ London

LEANDRO Trossard scored the all-important goal for Arsenal against Fulham as the Gunners go top of the Premier League table on Saturday. Fulham gained little to no momentum in the game, as Arsenal had most of the ball, and attempted the most number of shots. Meanwhile, injury-hit Chelsea hammered Nottingham Forest 3-0 away from home.

Shortly after the match, Nottingham coach Ange Postecoglou was sacked — a brutal end to a reign that lasted just 40 days and without a win. Josh Acheampong, Pedro Neto and Reece James were the goalscorers. Later, Manchester City beat Everton 2-0 with Erling Haaland scoring twice. Burnley beat Leeds 2-0 and Crystal Palace drew 3-3 with Bournemouth.

La Liga: Barcelona win

BARCELONA: Ronald Araujo struck at the death to snatch a 2-1 win for Barcelona over Girona and lift the champions top of La Liga. The defender scored in 93rd to give Barca a valuable one-point lead over bitter rivals Real Madrid.

India's men's quadruple sculls team and (inset) lightweight double sculls team at the Asian Championships | SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

Historic WC bronze for archer Surekha

CHANDRA PRABHU @ Chennai

ON a windy, overcast noon in the city of Nanjing in China, history was waiting to be made. On her third appearance in the World Cup final, decorated compound archer Jyothi Surekha Vennam was dominating the proceedings in the bronze medal match on Saturday.

Facing World Number Two archer from Great Britain Ella Gibson, Surekha was off to a flyer. Striking perfect tens in all four ends despite unfavourable conditions. The fifth end, was more of a formality. "Coming into the fifth end, I wanted to get good three arrows. I was counting the shots. I wanted to make sure that I was shooting the way I was shooting from the beginning," she told this daily from Nanjing. She ensured that she finished the campaign on a high, scoring perfect 10s in the final end, to become the first Indian compound archer to win a medal in this tournament after the 150-145 win. "It was good to see that become 150/150. Even if the points were at 149, I wanted to ensure that I put in my best," she added. When she got to know that she was the first Indian to achieve this feat, Surekha remained unfazed. "I just wanted to put in my best, I didn't know that had I won the medal that I would be first Indian. For me, it is just another medal for my country and my family," she said.

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Asian C'ships: 2 gold, 2 silver for Indian rowers

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chennai

IT turned out to be a good day for Indian rowers at the 25th Asian Rowing Championships in Hai Phong, Vietnam as they won two gold and as many silver medals on Saturday. Ajay Tyagi and Lakshay won gold in the lightweight men's double sculls while Satnam Singh, Kulwinder Singh, Navdeep Singh and Jakar Khan won the yellow metal in the men's four quadruple sculls.

Gurbani Kaur and Diljot Kaur won silver in the lightweight women's pair. Incidentally, the medal is the first for Indian women at the continental championships after 13 years. Besides, the Indian rowers also finished second in the men's eight event. The team comprised Nitin Deol, Parvinder Singh, Lakhveer Singh, Ravi, Gurpratap Singh, Bheem Singh, Jaswinder Singh, Kulbir, Kiran Singh Maimom.

Given the selection criteria for individuals and teams for participation in the 2026 Asian Games, Para-Asian Games 2026 and other multisports events laid out by the sports ministry recently, India have attained qualification in two events — lightweight men's double sculls and men's four quadruple sculls. Abhinav Bhatnagar, head coach of Indian Navy, was particularly happy for Satnam Singh as the rower trains under him. "We were beaten by Uzbekistan for second place at the 2023 Asian Games. We have avenged that loss to some extent by pushing them to the second position," Satnam told this daily.

EXPRESS READ

PKL: B'luru Bulls & Telugu Titans seal top 8 spots

NEW DELHI: Bengaluru Bulls and Telugu Titans confirmed their places in the top eight, after wins against their opponents at the Thyagaraj Indoor Stadium on Saturday. While Bengaluru beat Dabang Delhi 33-23 thanks to another brilliant performance from Alireza Mirzaian, the Titans cruised past Puneri Paltan 40-31, where Vijay Malik shone.

Pak get to 92/5 before rain plays spoilsport again

COLOMBO: In yet another rain-affected contest, Pakistan were 92/5 against New Zealand before the heavens opened up in Colombo. After hours of delay, the match was eventually called off. It is the fifth rain-affected contest at the venue with four of them being abandoned. This wash out took New Zealand to four points.

RANJI ROUND-UP

Saurashtra survive Shreyas scare, secure lead

ENS @ Bengaluru

DESPITE an early setback, Saurashtra managed to bag a first innings lead against Karnataka in a Group B Ranji Trophy match. Leg spinner Shreyas Gopal threatened to repeat his first innings exploits but Gajjar Samar and concussion substitute Jay Gohil kept him and other spinners at bay.

Badoni stars with six-fer

AYUSH Badoni's six-fer helped Delhi restrict Hyderabad to 411 and take home the first innings lead in a Group D fixture. Arpit Rana chipped in with three wickets. Sanat Sangwan and Yash Dhull scored fifties, as they ended at 138/3.

Pithiya stars in Baroda win

CUTTACK: Off-spinner Mahesh Pithiya's six-wicket haul helped Baroda beat Odisha in an Elite Group A fixture. Pithiya's spell kept Odisha to 174, and Baroda had no trouble chasing the easy target of 32. Veteran left-arm spinner Bhargav Bhatt also chipped in with three wickets. For Odisha, captain Subhransu Senapati's fifty went in vain.

UP take 1-run lead

KANPUR: Unbeaten on 82 at stumps on Day 3, Rinku Singh smashed an unbeaten 165 against Andhra and help the team secure a crucial one-run first innings in another Group A fixture. Andhra bowlers tried their best but the India middle-order batter was unstoppable as his century not only took UP to 471/8 but also gave them three vital points.

Innings win for Jharkhand

COIMBATORE: Apart from C Andre Siddarth's patient 80-run knock, the Tamil Nadu batters did not do much after being asked to follow-on against Jharkhand. As a result, the hosts were all out for 212 in their second essay, handing a inning and 114-run win to Jharkhand. Debutant Rishav Raj was the star with the ball as he took four wickets.

Shaw, Gaikwad crack fifties

THIRUVANATHAPURAM: After the first innings failure, Prithvi Shaw hit a 102-ball 75 to extend Maharashtra's lead in a Group B fixture against Kerala. Ruturaj Gaikwad and Siddhesh Veer scored 55 runs each and were unbeaten at stumps. Kerala bowlers could not break the partnership as Maharashtra walked away with valuable points.

SELECT SCORES

Group A: Odisha 271 & 174 in 59.3 ovs (Subransu Senapati 59 n.o Mahesh Pithiya 6/63) lost to Baroda 413/7 & 36/3 in 7.4 ovs (Shivalik Sharma 32 Badal Biswal 2/20); Andhra 470 drew with UP 471/8 in 169 ovs (Rinku Singh 165 n.o, Aryan Juyal 66; Prithvi Raj 2/85); Jharkhand 419 bt Tamil Nadu 93 & [F/o] 212 in 79 ovs (Andre Siddarth 80; Rishav Raj 4/49, Anukul Roy 3/42); **Group B:** Maharashtra 239 & 224/2 decl in 71 ovs (Prithvi Shaw 75, Ruturaj Gaikwad 55 n.o, Siddhesh Veer 55 n.o) drew with Kerala 219; Karnataka 372 & 232 in 74.2 ovs (Mayank Agarwal 64, Y Dodiya 3/40) drew with Saurashtra 376 & 128/5 in 43 ovs (Gajjar Sammar 43 n.o, Shreyas Gopal 3/43); **Group D:** Delhi 529/4 decl & 138/3 in 42 ovs (Sanat Sangwan 56, Yash Dhull 53) drew with Hyderabad 411 in 112.2 ovs (T Agarwal 132; A Badoni 6/73).

A silent march, jointly called by Leh Apex Body (LAB) and Kargil Democratic Alliance (KDA) as part of their agitation for statehood and safeguards under the Sixth Schedule of the Constitution, was foiled in Leh on Saturday as authorities imposed strict security measures and suspended mobile internet

LADAKH'S JOURNEY from EUPHORIA to UNREST

SONAM WANGCHUK FACTOR

AMONG those who initially celebrated the UT status was Sonam Wangchuk, a renowned climate activist and innovator. In 2019, he praised Prime Minister Narendra Modi for fulfilling Ladakh's "longstanding dream". When its implications became clear, Wangchuk emerged as a vocal critic. He began advocating for the inclusion of Ladakh under the Sixth Schedule.

Wangchuk joined forces with LAB and the Kargil Democratic Alliance (KDA), a coalition of political, religious, trade, and student groups from Kargil. Together, they launched a unified agitation for a four-point agenda: statehood for Ladakh, Sixth Schedule status, a separate Public Service Commission (PSC) for job recruitment, and two Lok Sabha seats for the region. This rare alliance between the Buddhist-dominated Leh and Muslim-majority Kargil marked a significant shift, as the two districts had historically been at odds.

Wangchuk's activism took a dramatic turn this year. He led hunger strikes and a peaceful march to New Delhi to press for dialogue with the Central government. However, following violent protests on September 24, Wangchuk was detained under the stringent National Security Act (NSA). The Union home ministry and the L-G's administration accused him of inciting the youth through provocative speeches. Investigations are also on into his alleged links to Pakistan, based on his participation in a climate conference organised by Pakistan's Dawn newspaper and the United Nations. Wangchuk, now incarcerated in Jodhpur jail, remains a polarising yet central figure in Ladakh's struggle.

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

ON August 5, 2019, the streets of Leh, the largest town in Ladakh, erupted in elation. Firecrackers lit up the night sky, sweets were distributed, and locals rejoiced at the abrogation of Articles 370 and 35A, which had granted special status to Jammu and Kashmir. The decision fulfilled a decades-long demand of the people of Leh: the carving out of Ladakh as a separate Union Territory (UT). Six years later, the same streets witnessed the bloodiest of protests in the region's history, with four deaths and 80 injuries during a violent clash on September 24 last.

Two days after the violence, the police arrested climate activist Sonam Wangchuk under the National Security Act (NSA) for allegedly inciting the youth who went on a rampage. Wangchuk continues to be in prison. The Union home ministry has just announced a judicial probe panel into the riots headed by retired Supreme Court judge B S Chauhan, addressing one of the demands of the protesters. A proposed silent march in Ladakh, too, has been foiled.

The euphoria of 2019 has given way to deep resentment, as Ladakh grapples with unfulfilled promises, loss of constitutional safeguards, and a growing demand for statehood and inclusion under the Sixth Schedule of the Constitution. Short of the Sixth Schedule, the Centre announced a domicile policy that reserves 85% of government jobs for locals. But Ladakhis say it is grossly insufficient.

The Sixth Schedule

The Sixth Schedule under Article 244 provides for the formation of autonomous administrative divisions - Autonomous District Councils (ADCs) that have legislative, judicial, and administrative autonomy within a state. It contains special provisions for the administration of tribal areas in the four north-eastern states of Assam, Meghalaya, Tripura, and Mizoram. These councils, comprising up to 30 members (26 elected, 4 nominated by the Governor), have legislative, judicial and administrative powers. They can enact laws on land, forests, water, village administration, and social customs (subject to Governor's assent), manage schools, markets, and infrastructure, and collect certain taxes.

Why Ladakhis want it

With over 97% of its 2,74,289 residents (2011 census) belonging to the Scheduled Tribes, Ladakh's cultural and demographic fabric is uniquely tribal. The abrogation of Article 35A in 2019 removed protections for land and job rights, raising fears of demographic dilution by outsiders. Sixth Schedule inclusion would provide constitutional safeguards, empowering ADCs to protect tribal customs, land ownership and cultural heritage.

"To qualify for the Sixth Schedule, an area must have at least 50-60% tribal population. In Ladakh, over 95% of our population is tribal, so we meet the criteria," said Glen Phunchok, leader of the Leh Apex Body (LAB), an influential coalition of political, social and religious groups. The Sixth Schedule would empower local councils to make laws protecting land, jobs, and cultural heritage, addressing fears of demographic change and environmental harm in a region with a fragile ecosystem. In 2020, the then tribal affairs minister Arjun Munda recommended Sixth Schedule status for Ladakh, and the National Commission for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes echoed this after reviewing a Parliamentary Standing Committee report. The BJP included the Sixth Schedule in its 2019 Lok Sabha and 2020 Leh Hill Council election manifestos. However, LAB leaders accuse the BJP of going back on this promise.

Sensitive location

Spanning 59,146 sq km with a population of just 2,74,289 (2011 census), Ladakh is a sparsely populated, high-altitude desert nestled between Pakistan and China, making it strategically vital for India. The region has two districts: Buddhist-majority Leh (population: 1,33,487) and Muslim-majority Kargil (population: 1,40,802). While Leh celebrated the UT status in 2019, Kargil, like the Kashmir Valley, was critical of the move, indicating early divergence in the region's response.

"People in Leh thoughtlessly rejoiced and celebrated the formation of the UT on August 5, 2019," said Chering Dorjay, co-chair of LAB. The abrogation of Article 370, which had provided J&K special autonomy, and Article 35A, which protected local land and job rights, was seen as a necessary step to achieve UT status. Residents of Leh believed it would free them from the administrative dominance of J&K. However, the absence of a legislative assembly in the new UT structure soon sowed seeds of discontent.

DOUBLE-EDGED WEAPON

Ladakh's strategic location makes stability in the region critical for India's defence and geopolitical interests. Unrest in this sensitive area could have far-reaching implications. But yielding to the demands could spur copycat agitations elsewhere, including in J&K. As J&K Chief Minister Omar Abdullah recently said, "we are very keenly watching what happens in Ladakh. Because if you are going to incentivise that method of getting your demands met, then you are telling us that my way (of demanding statehood) doesn't work... If I am proven wrong, then the only other model is that of agitation and confrontation." Therein lies the risk the Centre has to factor in.

No legislature

Unlike the J&K UT, which was granted a legislature, Ladakh was designated a UT without one. "We had been demanding a UT with a legislature, but what we got disappointed people," Dorjay explained. Without a legislative body, Ladakh's governance falls under the control of the Lieutenant Governor (L-G) and bureaucrats, leaving local leaders with little say in policy or budget allocation. The Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Councils (LAHDCs) in Leh and Kargil, which manage only about 10% of the region's budget, have limited powers, further fueling frustration.

The abrogation of Article 35A also stripped Ladakh of constitutional protections that had safeguarded its land and jobs from outsiders. "We realised that Article 370 was actually protecting us," Dorjay said. "Now, outsiders can settle here, buy land, and compete for jobs, threatening our unique identity and fragile ecosystem." Ladakhis fear demographic changes and environmental degradation if large-scale industries or tourism projects are introduced without safeguards.

Turning point

The protests on September 24 marked a tragic turning point. What began as a peaceful LAB-led demonstration spiraled into violence, with youth protesters torching BJP offices, Hill Council buildings, and police vehicles. Phunchok described the violence as an "outburst of emotions" of the unemployed youth. "When Ladakh was part of J&K, we had access to the J&K Public Service Commission for cadre-based recruitment. Since the UT's creation, no separate PSC has been established, and no gazetted appointments have been made," he said. Of the 6,000-7,000 jobs promised after the UT's formation, only 1,000-1,200 vacancies have been filled. The University of Ladakh, a potential source of employment, has relied on contractual hiring rather than permanent posts, further accentuating unrest.

Academician Sidiq Wahid noted that the initial euphoria in Leh faded as residents realised the UT status was "hollow". "They discovered that the rights they had under Article 370 were gone. The lack of progress on jobs and governance led to growing impatience, especially among the youth," he said.

Centre's response

In response to the agitation, the Union home ministry formed a high-powered committee comprising Ladakh MP Mohmad Haneefa, LAB and KDA leaders, and ministry officials, to hold talks. After a May 27 meeting, the Centre introduced a domicile policy requiring 15 years of residency (from 2019) to qualify for UT domicile and reserved 85% of government jobs for locals. However, these measures failed to address the core demands for statehood and Sixth Schedule status, leading to a deadlock. Wangchuk's 35-day hunger strike, launched on September 10, aimed to pressure the Centre to resume talks. Although the government invited leaders for discussions on October 6, LAB and KDA demanded an earlier date, and Wangchuk continued his strike.

The September 24 violence halted dialogue with the Centre. LAB and KDA demanded a judicial inquiry into the violence, release of detainees, dropping of charges, and compensation for victims for resuming talks. While calm has since returned to Leh, with curfews lifted and half of the detainees bailed out, tensions simmer. KDA co-chairman Asgar Karbalai said, "This silence is not normalcy; it may be a calm before the storm."

WHY CROSS-BORDER TERROR HAS AF-PAK ADDRESS

T K VINEETH @ Kochi

ON September 22, Pakistan's air force bombed select villages in the country's remote Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province bordering Afghanistan. Several JF-17 jets flew over the area and dropped eight Chinese-made LS-6 precision-guided glide bombs — in an apparent bid to obliterate parts of the villages. Initial reports said at least 30 civilians, including women and children, were killed in the predawn strikes that flattened multiple houses killing the inhabitants in their sleep.

The unusual attack sparked protests in the Pashtun-dominated province and raised questions as to why the Pakistan military was attacking its own people. Pakistani media reports said the strikes were against the Tehreek-i-Taliban Pakistan (TTP), known for its guerilla warfare tactics and hostility towards Pakistani security forces. However, the high civilian casualties in Khyber put the Pakistani military on the back foot, and the domestic opposition parties accused it of endangering the lives of civilians with its reckless air strikes. Pakistan's human rights body also hit out at the military, expressing shock over the civilian deaths and demanded an impartial inquiry into the incident.

The strikes were part of a larger plan to deal with the spurt in TTP attacks on the Pakistani military. Pakistan accused the Taliban government of harbouring TTP fighters, a claim rejected by the Afghan Taliban.

Rapid escalation

Following the initial Khyber strike, Pakistan launched further attacks inside Afghan territory on October 9, targeting TTP positions in Kabul, Khost, Jalalabad, and Paktika. Its jets and drones targeted key TTP commanders, including the outfit's chief Noor Wali Mehsud. The TTP chief escaped unhurt as he was travelling in an armoured vehicle, but over 40 civilians were reportedly injured in the Kabul attack and considerable structural damage was inflicted on the Afghan border.

On October 11-12, Taliban forces struck Pakistani border posts in at least five provinces. Pakistan responded with airstrikes in Kandahar and Helmand provinces, killing some Taliban fighters. Finally, a ceasefire brokered by Saudi Arabia and Qatar was announced on October 15. Yet, Pakistan kept up its attacks, including the bombing of Paktika, killing three Afghanistani cricketers.

Root cause

Tensions worsened after Islamabad demanded that Kabul take action against the TTP elements operating from Afghan territory. However, the Afghan Taliban's stated position is that the Pakistan Taliban is not present on its soil, so the question of acting against the outfit doesn't arise. According to some estimates, as many as 2,500 Pakistani security personnel have been killed by the TTP in the first nine months of 2025 alone. Besides, TTP fighters have systematically targeting Chinese projects in Pakistan.

Early this month, Afghan Taliban launched armed raids on border posts along the Durand Line in response to Pakistan's bombing in Kabul and a market in the country's east. For the Taliban, Pakistan's violating its airspace is an affront to its sovereignty, which will not be tolerated. It said independence and respect are non-negotiable.

Short-term objectives

Strategically, Islamabad's repeated strikes on TTP strongholds aim to weaken the outfit and pressure Kabul to curb cross-border militancy. Politically, the Pakistan government faced intense domestic pressure after thousands of security personnel were killed in ambush and suicide attacks. So, it was forced to go after the TTP. As for the Afghan regime, it considers its military response would provide it a rallying point domestically to consolidate power. Significantly, Afghanistan also reportedly snubbed Pakistan by denying visa to its Defence Minister Khawaja Asif and ISI chief Asim Malik, not just once but thrice.

India angle

Traditionally, India has supported Afghan governments and successfully maintained soft power influence through infrastructure projects and diplomatic ties. From a strategic point of view, the Afghan-Pakistan conflict could help India as it has the potential to destabilise Islamabad while keeping the Pakistani defence forces busy. If Pakistan remains entangled in the militancy menace, it could give India some advantage in strengthening its own counter-terrorism operations.

Although India officially abstains from any direct involvement in the conflict, it maintains diplomatic communications with the Afghan Taliban to safeguard its interests. The recent visit by Taliban's foreign minister Amir Muttaqi and New Delhi's decision to upgrade its technical mission in Kabul are part of this strategy.

David vs Goliath

The Afghan Taliban said that it agreed to pause its retaliatory strikes after requests from Saudi Arabia and Qatar. However, the temporary peace could evaporate unless the underlying issues are resolved. If a direct war breaks out between Pakistan and Afghanistan, it could trigger a shift in regional power dynamics.

Pakistan's military is mightier with over 6,60,000 active personnel. It is estimated to have around 2,200 tanks, 900 aircraft, and a range of missiles and nuclear weapons, mostly supported by Chinese technology.

In contrast, Taliban has around 1,72,000 fighters — most of whom have guerrilla warfare experience but limited heavy weaponry or air capabilities. Also, Afghanistan's military equipment mainly consists of outdated Soviet-era arms and other weapons left behind by the US after its 2021 withdrawal. However, Taliban fighters are said to have more territorial knowledge, insurgency tactics, and decentralised command structures.

Way forward

Afghanistan and Pakistan have a complicated history. Pakistan strongly backed the Taliban after it was ousted from power in 2001 and continued to support it during the subsequent insurgency against the US-backed Afghan government. Also, Pakistan hosted millions of Afghan refugees over decades of war, though it started expelling many of them in recent years.

The TTP's presence will continue to be a key irritant for Pakistan, but experts believe the border clashes are unlikely to escalate into a larger conflict. Islamabad at present is not ready for a full-fledged war. However, tension is likely to prevail in the short term as TTP fighters can be expected to keep needling Pakistan.

WHAT IS PAKISTAN TALIBAN

The Tehreek-i-Taliban Pakistan, or TTP, was established in 2007 to unify the opposition against the Pakistani military, which was supporting the US invasion of Afghanistan. The TTP's stated objective is the overthrow of the elected government of Pakistan in order to establish an emirate based on its interpretation of Islamic law. Formed under the leadership of Baitullah Mehsud, the TTP brought together various militant factions operating in Pakistan's tribal areas. Baitullah Mehsud was killed in an American missile strike in August 2009. The TTE is currently led by Noor Wali Mehsud.